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CAPPET ON

Firemen seek TUC help in bid to end pay curbs

The Fire Brigades Union decided last night to seek the help of the TUC in a concerted attempt to break the 10 per cent pay limit in the public sector. It is also to request money and "other forms of support" from the trade union movement. The move came after the union executive Gin had been told by the Prime Minister that the 10 per cent pay offer made by local authorities would have to be accepted.

Impasse in talks with **Prime Minister**

The Fire Brigades Union is attempt to involve the TUC directly in broadching its dispute into a concerted campaign against the imposition of the 19 per cent pay limit on miblic sector employees. The union's executive yesterday decided to seek official support from affiliated unions

after its talks with the Prime Minister at 10 Downing Street

had failed to produce any move towards a settlement.

Mr Teronce Parry, general seretary of the FBU, telephoned Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, last night to tell him that the union would be formally requesting an early meeting with the TUC's finance and general purposes committee. A statement issued by Mr Pury after a five-hour executive meeting reaffirmed that nothing the Prime Minister had said would "form the basis on which to recall the national delegate conference for the pusposes of recommending a return to work ".

The wording of the statement reflected anger among the executive, after a meeting in which the prime Minister bad told them that their stike could not succeed and that, while the Government had no power to enforce the pay limit in the private sector, it was deretmined to do so in the

public services.

The min of the request ro
the TUC would appear to be to
force it to take a firm stand for the first time on a limited to which the Government is fully committed but which the TUC council have never endorsed. Mr Parry said: "The TUC have not supported the 10 per cent limit. We want them to say it loud and clear and perhaps a bit more." It was not the FBU's job to spearhead any campaign against the 10 per cent limit in the public

He refused to be drawn on what forms of supportive action, order than financial, the union would seek from other unions. But one option that may be considered is the withdrawal of some labour in factories or other premises

prevented normal fire cover or scatutorily required inspection

The main object however, appears to be to pass to the whole trade union movement what has so far been the FBU's exclusive burden of defying the government guidelines.

Mr Callaghan apparently angered and surprised several members of the executive with the forecfolness with which he said there was no question of improving the local amborities. the union a stern warning that other unions would "build on" say breach in the pay guide-

Mr Callaghan said the Government wanted to see a properly remunerated fire service with no sense of griezvice with no sense of grievance. But the only item that could possibly be construed as anything like a new move towards the FEU case was a hint that the Government would be prepared to make a forward commitment to implement any future pay formula agreed be-tween the union and local

authorities.

No confrontation. We are not in confrontation, the Prime Minister assured the Commons yesterday as he gave the brieflest of reports on his meeting with the firemen (our Political Editor arrites).

To some inquiries on oppo-sition benches he indisted that the firemen did not think that there was a confrontation; they

dilemma.
Mr Callaghan then managed to occupy all the political ground available by stating, in the agreeable fashion that his opponents find impossible to puncture, that the country has sympathy for the firemen yet understanding that pay rises given to one group go through the whole system.

Mr Callaghan's earlier state

ment to the press, as the FBU executive left 10 Downing Street, had been more abrupt. "The present strike cannot succeed", it stated. The Govern-ment's desire was to build the

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Single-figure inflation, a 3.4m growth rate and £2,000m surplus predicted for next year

Strong attack on Government policy by National Institute

spending up by 5 per cent, a starp increase in living standards, coupled with a £2,00m surplus on the balance of payments and single figure inflation at 8.4 per cent, are predicted for Britain by the Namonal Institute of Economic and Social Research today.

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In the latest issue of its Economic Review, the Institute says the ecenomy will grow in real terms by 3.4 per cent next year after a decisory 0.2 per cent increase in output this year.

Fax cuts of £1,000m in the April Budget are still expected to leave the Government safely within the present estimate agreed with the International Monetary Fund of how much it can borrow. The Institute expects Government borrowing next year to be £8,600m, compared to £7,300m this year.

optimistic for many years, with

the pound float upwards, which it says will harm competitive uese of manufacturing industry, and increase imports for very little benefit in terms of lower

assumption that the pound appreciated from its current rate of 63.3 per cent, its level in 1971, m 68.1 per cent of the 1971 level by the end of next

Although the Institute's This appreciation of the forecast is one of its most pound is of vital importance to some elements of the forecast, which is significantly different

> 22,083, which is £500m larger than the Treasury estimate, largely because higher prices for our exports and lower prices for imports move the terms of trade in our favour. In the longer run, however, they lead to a worse trade performance. The institute also launches a head on attack on the central role which financial and mone-

> tary targets play in formulating government policy. It says that in the present dessed state of the economy effects of allowing the money supply to be expanded by inflows of foreign funds "would probably be small and would in any case be bene-

In its forecast, the institute

of the money supply to 13 per cept in the current financial

It expects gross earnings to row faster than the Governgrow faster than the Govern-ment's 10 per cent guidelines, however, with an expected growth of 17 per cent. This figure is slightly higher than the 15 per cent figure which seems to be accepted in private by the Treasury as the most likely increase for the current

The published Treasury fore-cast assumes only a 10 per cent growth of earnings, however, which makes it impossible to compare with the forecast of the Institute or of most other

special criticism A conserent policy for incomes is needed to make the expan-sionary course which the Insti-

tute argues is necessary. Much of the growth in output next year comes in the first six mooths, with a definite tailing off thereafter.

The prescription of more

stimulus, a more competitive exchange rate and a tighter in comes policy ties in with the Institute's views of the medium-term options facing the Government, which is criticized for fasting to announce a coherent policy for relating its short-term actions to the prospects opened up by North Sea oil. In a separate erticle, the Institute says that unless exchange rate policy is managed to preserve the competitiveness of British industry, the balance of payments gain from North Sea oil will be used up with no permanent ratio in the seconds.

permanent gain to the economy

Mr Gairy came in person to launch his resolution on its flight path. It urges the United

year of Unidentified Flying Objects.

in a committee room shaped much like a flying saucer. Some nations had more than one delegate present and, counting officials, there must have been nearly 200 highly paid international civil servants on

a representative said that no further developments were expected and reaffirmed the corporation's intention to reallocate the orders. That is a severe blow to shipbuilding on the Tyne, redundancies are now inevitable, with more to follow as the company's order book is worked

Mr John Parker, marketing director for British Ship-builders, said last night: "This is a grave disappointment but the Corporation has no alternative except to reallocate im-mediately. This will now be carried out as quickly as possible and it is hoped that the first orders will be placed within 48 hours, subject to the necessary assurances being necessary assurances being received from the yards con-

Smith's Dock on the Tees, part of the Swan Hunter group before nationalization, will before nationalization, will almost certainly obtain some work. Sunderland Shipbuilders, which has, on the Wear, the most modern under-cover build-ing facility in the world, is also expected to secure a proportion of the displaced orders from

Austin & Pickersgill, also on Austin & Pickersgill, also on the Wear, which has failed to secure a single new order this year, will certainly pick up at least one of the bulk carrier orders, while Govan Shipbuilders, on the upper Clyde, which has contracts for 10 ships in the Polish deal, could easily accommodate two of the ships lost by Swan Hunter.

Redundancies loom, page 2

Vote for overtime ban costs Swan Hunter £52m order for ships

Mr David Hanson, chairman of the ouristing trades shop is to peace in the Middle far positive ments and opposing those the stood in the way of peace stood in the way of peace in moral and political suptaints and we hope that you will disappoint them.

Middle East moves, page 3

The reassignment of the con-

The seven ships that were to have been built by Swan Hunter formed part of the £115m shipbuilding deel signed with Poland last week. The vessels, all bulk carriers, would have provided Swan Hunter with much needed work for its 10,000 workers over the next 12 months.

Because of the right delivery

Because of the tight delivery schedules and the heavy penalty clauses involved British Shipbuilders sought written guaran-tees from workers at all yards where the Polish orders have been allocated, pledging support

and cooperation.

The outlitting trades at Swan Hunter have for 13 weeks been operating an unofficial ban on overtime in support of pay parity with other trades. Yesterday they overwhelmingly rejected a recommendation from their shop stewards to lift the ban, provide the guarantees, and allow the claim to be seried through normal negotiating

Friday until yesterday's meeting, but executives have been busy during the past few days

preparing for a reassignment of the orders.

Chalmers, general secretary of

the boilermakers society and a

part-time member of the state corporation's board, travelled to

London, with Mr John Steele, chief executive of Swan Hunter,

to review the position with British Shipbuilders. In London

Yeterday evening Mr John

Industrial Correspondent

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Reassignment of Polish shipbuilding orders worth £52m
originally destined for the Tyneside shippards of Swan Hunter
is to begin immediately. British
Shipbuilders is likely to
announce today where some of
the orders are to be reallocated.

tracts to other yards in Britain came after yesterday's surprising rejection of a peace formula by 1,700 outfitting workers employed by the group. Their vote will lead to redundancy notices being served almost immediately to several hundred other workers employed by the state corporation on Tyneside.

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UN launches itself into outer space From Michael Leapman

New York, Nov 29 The United Nations has for years had to combat criticism that its well-meaning efforts at solving the difficulties of this world are often ineffective. Yesterday it widened its horizons to embrace other worlds when the Special Political com-mittee of the General Assembly started a debate on unidentified

started a debate on unidentified flying objects (UFOs).

It was the fulfilment of a long-held desire of Mr Eric Gairy, the Prime Minister of Grenada, who has been campaingining for two years for the United Nations to take cognizance of extraterrestrial institute. cance of extra-terrestrial instru-ders. This year he managed to get the assembly to agree that

Nations to set up a department to conduct and coordinate re-search into UFOs and asks that 1978 be declared International

Objects.

During the year, the second international congress on the subject, and on related phenomena, should be held in Grenada (the first was held in Acapulco, Mexico). Moreover, the United Nations and Grenada should issue commemorative stamps for the occasion.

Only about a quarter of the 149 members of the United Nations failed to send repre-sentatives to the meeting, held

hand to grapple with this en-grossing problem when, at the customary 40 minutes after the scheduled starting time, the chairman called the meeting to I moticed, though, that several countries, including the United States, had women as delegates.

This, in the male-dominated United Nations is a sign of lowlevel representation. The British delegate was male, but appeared to be in his early twendes—no doubt getting an early grounding in international futility.

Many delegates had taken advantage of the Grenada Gorgerment invisions on prepared.

actaining of the Grenada Gor-eroment's invitation to prepare themselves for the discussion by attending special screenings of Close Encounters of the Third Kind, a successful film that deals with UFOs. The Grenadans also distributed one of the many paperback books published to satisfy the Ameri-can public's current fascination

with the topic.

Mr Gairy began the proceedings by declaring: "One must face the realities of life today and recognize the fact that have continued to baffle man-kind."

leind."

He soon gave the floor to his United Nations representative, Mr Wellington Friday, who began by singing the praises of his leader in terms which may have been influenced by the fact that Mr Gairy was sitting within chair-pulling distince behind him. The Frime Minister's sneeches on UFOs at Minister's speeches on UFOs at the United Nations, Mr Friday declared, "will echo down the corridors of history for all time and for all generations to

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THE SCOTCH WHISKT

Further rise in interest rates feared

By John Whirmore There was growing specula-tion in financial markets last night that interest rates might have to rise still further over the next few days unless the monetary authorities intervene rapidly to calm market nervous

Although the Bank of Eng-Although the Eark of Engy land appeared to be happy enough at the end of last week with the 2 per cent upward correction in its minimum lending rate—up from 5 to 7 per cent—markers have already started to talk in terms of MLR going up to 8, or even 9, per cent.
The main reason for nervousness continues to be concern over the authorities' ability to control the rate of growth in the money supply. Although markets are already well aware that the November money supply figures are unlikely to the control the money is considerable. ne good, there is considerable

uend in the monetary aggre-sites beyond that.

This being the case, the mar-set has also been rather puzzled the fact the authorities

have simply been waiting for Markets to find an appropriate evel after last week's sharp increase in MLR. Or they may cel that the big investing institutions are temporarily short of If the latter, they might feel

that any further rise in interest rates would serve no useful pur Pose and that they should attempt to persuade the markets of this. Meanwhile most short-term present rate are exected to rise urther this mornin, with inter ank rates from three months

warter per cent. Hidland raises base rate, page 2 Financial Editor, page 23

"o a year up by at least a

'Express' beats union in court

By Paul Routledge

Labour Editor Mr Victor Matthews, chairman of Beaverbrook News-papers, predicted a healthier national newspaper industry

Speaking to me after the Court of Appeal had ruled that Sogat had no right to curtail production of extra copies of the Daily Express while the Daily Mirror is in dispute with its London-based journalists, he referred to the end of "union power" in Fleet Street.

national newspaper industry through strong management after a court victory over the Society of Graphical and Aflied Trades (Sogat).

Mr Dayan

reprimands

Germans

From Patricia Clough

Bom's absurd positi Middle East questions.

Mr Dayan, here on a three-day official visit, told his hosts at an after-dinner speech last night that with their political

courtesy visit", he said bluntly.

sure it does, I am more than delighted."

referred to the end of "union power" in Fleet Street.

"I hope it will be better for the workers and for the managers", he said. "I believe that the workers respond to retain the morkers respond to retain the more reduce operations in whatever field he is operations in whatever field he is operations in whatever field he is operations. Taking Ford as an example, are not on the more reduce operations in whatever field he is operations.

ar an after-dinner speech last on Sunday had left a "deep night that with their political and economic weight they should give "bold leadership" to other European countries. They should not let themselves be entangled in "erroneous polocies" for the sake of European salidarity.

"I am not simply here on a countries "he said blunds and the process of the sake of th

Once Fleet Street starts 10 get strong management it will be a healthier place. If this action helps the cause, and I am

He argued that the issue was relevant to industry generally. not just to Fleet Street. "If the Court of Appeal had upheld Bill Keys's [general secretary of Sogat] action, then at any time a trade union official could stop or reduce operations in

strong management and I think a larger share of the market? that a lot; of the troubles in The argument is just the same. Fleet Street are due to weak It applied to shoes and any The argument is just the same."
It applied to shoes and any other commodity produced for public consumption.

being discharged.

Mr Dayan spoke of the concern of the Israeli people at recent antisemitic events

Most of recent antisemitic events sider induspence towards Herr Kappler, the Nazi war criminal foreign Minister, of recent antisemitic incidents and antisemitic incidents and which induspence towards Nazi who escaped here from Italy, is due simply to the fact that Middle East questions.

His visit to the former Nazi

on Sunday had left a "deep

Mr Dayan at an exhibition of ancient Egyptian art in Bonn yesterday.

The fundamental point at stake was the right to manage." Once you take that away from management, you might as well give up", he added. "We must have the right to take our own decisions on what production we have the demand for, and that applies to everything you can think of: It is a fundamental commercial view."

He further emphasized the importance he clearly attaches to Bonn as a counter-weight in Rurope to pro Arab France by unexpectedly paying a hospital visit. 10. Herr. Hans Daurich actually pro-Nazi. But Mr. Genscher, the ailing West Germany is hardly justified in man Foreign Minister, and discussing the issues with him for half an hour.

Mr. Dayan spoke of the concern of the Israeli people at recent antisemitic events

The Daily Express increased production last night to take advantage of the gap in the popular market left by the Daily Mirror's failure to publish in London. The Daily Mirror Continued on page 2, col 4 in the future.

14% offer to officials

Officials of the transport union will be

offered productivity pay rises of about 14 per cent if a deal is accepted by the

executive. The lift engineers' strike is

to continue at least until area meetings consider an offer next week Page 4

Sixteen world politicians and economists picked by Herr Willy Brandt for his commission seeking ways to bridge the north-south development gap include Mr Edward Heath, the former Tory leader Page 8

Norway: A four-page Special Report on a country coming to terms with sudden oil wealth.

South Africa: Voters put Mr Vorster's

call for white unity to test at today's election

Call to publish "secrets": Mr Michael Latham, MP, wants material about the wartime activities of the security services to be published after 30 years 4

Brandt sixteen

Mozambique raid holds up Rhodesia negotiations

Abel Muzorewa, the most im-portant of the black leaders with whom Mr Ian Smith hopes to negotiate a majority rule settlement, tuday accused the Rhodesian forces of massacring refugees in their assault on

Mr Dayan said that the

international community could make far-reaching contribu-

make far-reaching contribu-tions to peace in the Middle East by supporting positive elements and opposing those that stood in the way of peace. "Egypt and its allies need your moral and political sup-port and we hope that you will

C. Mukome, said the bishop from the land of their birth would not take part in any negotiations with government officials until after the mourn-writes: Dr Owen, the Foreign ing was over. However, the constitutional conference called by Mr Smith would still be held

yesterday that more than 1,200 nationalist guerrillas were killed in raids on two camps in Mozambique.

· Bishop . Muzorewa said in a statement: "The people massacred in Mozambique are for He declared a week of nat- the most part refugees. They ional mourning for victims are for the most part men, His publicity secretary, Mr D. women and children who fled

writes: Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, said the Rhodesian attack underlines, the need for an internationally acceptable settlement ".

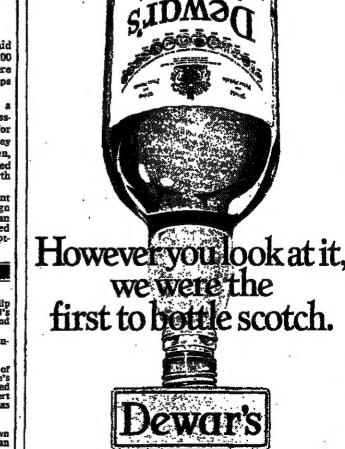
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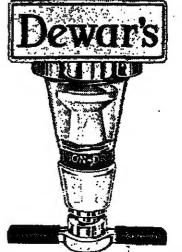
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International anti-bribery code agreed

Business leaders from 54 countries have not yet attempted to reactivate sales of gilt-edged stock this week—gilt sales to non-bank investors is the means by thich the authorities neutralize the public sector's contribution to monetory growth.

It may be that the authorities have simply been untiting for legislation where it does not already exist, a voluntary set of rules for ethical practices and an international panel to police the code

Powers to protect Exmoor urged

Powers to protect moorland areas of high scenic and amenity value on Exmoor and to compensate farmers and landowners for any financial loss are recommended in Lord Porchester's government-sponsored report. The National Farmers' Union expressed anxiety Page 6

Ulster investigation Three investigators from Amnesty Inter-

Three investigators from Amnestv Inter-national began their detailed inquiry into widespread allegations of police and army brutality in Northern Ireland. Although the hearings will be in pri-vate, The Times has obtained details of allegations that will be made by indi-viduals and by Protestant and Roman Catholic pressure groups Page 4 Shot journalist dies The death of Carlo Casalegno, a distinguished Turin journalist shot by terrorists on November 16, has roused fears in Italy that outspoken supporters

of democracy may now become the targets for political violence Page 8 Mr Bhutto blamed

Mr Bhutto, the former Pakistan Prime Minister, was accused of playing a treasonous role in the breakup of the country in 1971 by Mr Abdul Wali Khan, the Pathan leader Page 11 Home News 2, 4, 6 Church
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Local health authority | Mormon is disowns unpublished mental hospital report

pital alleging that voluntary patients were locked up and injected with drugs against their will was virtually disowned yesterday by the North East Thames Regional Health Authority

The unpublished report on Friern Mental Hospital, north London, was prepared by the region's own monitoring team, but yesterday the health authority said it "could not confirm allegations in the report of unlawful practice in relation to

It considered that the report, that which it again refused to publish on the ground that staff talked to the monitoring team in confidence, no longer formed a "practical basis for further action".

Instead it has asked the area health authority to examine six aspects of organization and policy at the hospital. It has also asked Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, to give particular consideration to the care and treatment of informal patients during the review of the Mental Health Act, 1959, now under way.

Genuine doubts were held throughout the country about the correct interpretation of those provisions, a statement Once that review was com-

reconsider the practice at its hospitals. It had "complete confidence in thep rofessional integrity and skills of the consultant and other staff at the conded," he said.

unfortunate consequences for staff and patients alike of any assertions in the media to the contrary."

The authority's statement

use criticized as "extraordinary, ambiguous and shortsighted" by Mr Eric Mooaman,
Labour MP for Basildon and
chairman of the all-party committee on mental health. He said it did nothing to answer the most serious crinicsms he had come across in 10 years' involvement with mental hospi-

Dr David Pitcher, chairman of the medical committee at Friern hospital, said that if the statement silenced allegations against the consultants he and his colleagues would be satis-

fied.

"If it does not, we shall have more to say, he added.
"We are quite clear that we do not, and never dit, act illegally." There never had been any basis for the allegations. The doctors would have no objection to publication of

the report.

Later Mr Ennals said in a Later Mr Ennals said in a Commons written reply to Mrs Thatcher, MP for the area covered by the hospital, that he welcomed the authority's statement and agreed with it. He deplored the speculation and unjustified allegations that had apepared in the media be-fore the authority made any

Insurance agent dismissed for past mental illness

Mr Henry O'Brien, an insurance agent, was dismissed by the Prudential Assurance Company last July, after it had been discovered that he had a history of mental illness, a Liverpool industrial tribunal was told yesterday.

Mr Wrigley said. Other doctors' reports said Mr O'Brien had undergone electric shock treatment and had suffered from hallucinations. He was dismissed because his application form did not disclose his mental lilness.

Mr Relend Green, Prudential

Mr O'Brien, aged 38, of Mas-sams Lane, Formby, had worked for the company for nine months. He alleges unfair dis-

Mind, the organization for mental health, which is supporting him, regards it as a test case. It is effectively the first of its kind to come before an industrial tribunal.

Mr Brian Wrigley, represent-ing the Prudential, said that Mr O'Brien was required to fill in a questionnaire which disclosed no history of mental ill health. Reports on his work showed only commendation.

When Mr O'Brien applied for life assurance with the Prudential last May, his doctor gave a report disclosing a "history of psychosis and possibly schizo-phrenia". His mental illness had started in 1964.

Wrigley said insurance agents had to visit people's houses and collect money. The Prudential felt responsi-bility to the public for collec-

Bail plea fails

Christopher Heapes, aged 27, one of the men charged in connexion with last weekend's Dublin cash-and-carry store siege, failed in his application for bail at the Special Criminal Court inDublin yesterday, being re-manded in custody, until Dec-

Mr Roland Green, Prudential divisional manager, said there was no crinicism of Mr O'Brien's work, but added: "Whoever ns the door to the man from the Pru has a right to expect that the person will be of high integrity and acceptable in every way. Here we had a man who deceived us right from the

Dr Brian Ward, a consultant psychiatrist and secretary of the Royal College of Psychiatrists' public policy committee, said he thought Mr O'Brien had suffered from an acute anxiety state and not schizophrenia.
After en operation about 121

years ago on a growth once thought cancerous, "he literally worried himself into a state of

exhaustion".
Dr Ward added: "There is no evidence at the present time that he is suffering from any mental illness." He did not expect further attacks and considered Mr O'Brien fit for

employment.
The hearing was adjourned,

tors it introduced into people's provisionally until January 31.

QC and son together In an appeal in the Court of yesterday to stop a Appea woman being deprived of her home, Mr Hugh Francis, QC, and his son, Richard, both members of Gray's Inn, appeared before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Coff and Justice Communication of the Rolls, Lord Justice Coff and Justice Communication Conference Communication Conference Communication Conference Con tice Goff an dLord Justice Cum-

said to have made love willingly

Joyce McKinney, aged 27, a former beauty queen, main-tained that Kirk Anderson, a Mormon missionary, willingly made love to her when she took him to a consee, accordthe police read at Epsom Magis-

trates' Court, Surrey, yesterday. Beforeband, she added, they indulged in oral sexual practices and played bondage games to help him to sort out his sexual difficulties.

Miss McKinney, in her alleged statement, said: "Mr Anderson key willingly while I tied him up. If he had not, this little 120lb girl could not have tied up a 250lb 6ft 2in man." Miss McKänney and Keith May, aged 24, both Americans, are accused of kidnapping Mr Anderson, aged 21, from the Church of Latter Day Saints at Ewell on September 1; unlawfully imprisoning him in a cottage at Lower Halstock, Okehamming Devon; and possessesses. hampton, Devon; and possessing imitation revolvers and chloroform. Reporting restrictions have been lifted.

Miss McKinney, in evidence, said that during their earlier romance Mr Anderson refused to have sexual intercourse with her. She added: "We were together constantly and we did not have intercourse. He tessed me and kissed me until I was

out of my mind."

Earlier, Mr Anderson was cross-examined by Mr Stuart Elgrod, for the defence of Miss McKinney. He had said at a previous hearing that when he was manacled spread-eagled on the bed Miss McKinney tore off his pyjamas and a special one-piece undergarment. He said he had burnt the undergarment. "They are so sacred to me that any time they are to me that any time they are desecrated in any way the pro-per method to dispose of them is to burn them."

Mr Anderson agreed that while still in the United States while still in the United States he had transgressed the rules of Mormon missionaries "by becoming involved with Joy [Miss McKinney]; by being alone with her; by holding her in his arms; by having sexual relations with her; and by using her first name". That was "the proper ration of the latest the states of the latest than rery reason I did not go to the cottage of my own accord".

He denied that the only time or way he was tied down or shackled was during sexual intercourse. He denied that any "scenario" was being acted out. Mr Anderson said Mr May helped to secure him to the bed. "I did not know the intentions was to have forced sexual intercourse. After they tied down one leg and then the other could not resist the rest", he

The hearing continues today

Five years' jail for travel man

Jack Blutstein, aged 33, head of a travel company, was sentenced at the Central Criminal Court yesterday to five years' imprisonment for a £67,000 air ticket fraud, in which his vic-tims included a nurse who wanted to go to see her sick mother.

Mr Blutstein, formerly head Mr Blutstein, formerly head
of Envoy International Travels,
Regent Street, London, of
Beeching Wood Lane, Borough
Green, Kent, pleaded guilty to
16 charges of obtaining property and pecuniary advantage
by deception.

Angry workers refuse to give up battle for pay parity in shipyards

Redundancies loom after Swan Hunter vote

Newcastle upon Tyne
The decision by more than
1,600 angry outfitting tradesmen at Swan Hunter's yard on
the Tyne to continue their overtime ban, even though it imperilled a £60m Polish order and the jobs of several thousand colleagues, was seen last night as a black chapter in the area's

As the men grimly left the hall in Wallsend where they had overwhelmingly rejected shop stewards 'advice to return shop stewards 'advice to return to normal working, recrimina-tions began. Only 20 men voted in favour of lifting the ban. It was feared last night that the management was drawing up lists of up to 800 men who will be the farst wave of likely redundances in the wake of the

A shop-floor union man said the workers were determined not to be blackmailed into giving up their fight for parity

Fire pickets

with police

A dispute between firemen's pickets and the police developed yesterday after a man had died in a fire in a flat at Corby,

The pickets, who were a quarter of a mile away, say thty had told the police that they were willing to tackle fires

if people were trapped and were prepared to break into the fire station and take out appliances to save livts. The police, they allege, did not it them

know about yesterday's fire, which was covered by two part-

Senior police officers refused to discuss their arrangements, if any, with pickets. They be-

lieve that the man in the flat, who had not been identified last night, would have died even if there had not been a firemtn's

and police attempted ti rescue

the girl, Amanda Jones, but wert driven back by flames and

smoke. Her mother, Mrs Carol Jones, aged 25, jumped to safety from a first-floor bed-

Mr David Champion, aged

48, of Burnham-on-Sea, was killed yesterday after being thrown 30ft through the air into a river when an oil tank exploded. He was one of three men working on the

Settlement of

strike in balance

An end to the National Union

of Journalists' longest strike appears to be in the balance after talks between Westminster

Press management and offi-

ing unions.

The outcome of the six-month

stoppage by about 100 NUJ

members centred on Darling-ton over a closed-shop issue may be determined tomorrow.

The strikers are to receive a

report on the talks from Mr

Kenneth Ashton, the union's

But Mr Michael Duggan, the strike leader, said he was not

optimistic about an early settle-

It is understood that

general secretary.

closed-shop

By Our Labour Staff

angry

union firemen

strike.

killed

was at the heart of inter-union rivalry at Swan Hunter, and had been for more than two years.

"It is a small dispute really, and the Polish order has been brought into it" he said. "We want to build these ships but want to build these sinps our we want the same wage as every man at the yard. Why we have to lift the ban now is beyond me, because us outstring trades we would not be working on the Polish order for

Union leaders yesterday dis-

Union leaders yesterday dis-puned suggestions that the Polish order would be "blacked" if it was directed to neighbouring yards Mr Wiffiam Porter, regional organizer for the General and Municipal Workers' Union, said shop stewards felt that the dispute concerned parity, not ships. If the orders were directed to the Wear the work would be done. would be done.
'Certainly the yards could

at leas taix months."

Mr George Arnold, chairman of the Confederation of Shipbrilding and Engineering Unions, said it had been an angry meeting. "As soon as I walked into the hall I knew

what the outcome would be. We had no chance to put over our reasons for calling off the overtime ban."
Mr Gavin Laird, a member of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers executive, said union members had left him in no doubt that their

left him in no doubt that their primary concern was not with the Polish order, but with the calim for parity. He was disappointed by the vote.

If the yard management had yielded to the outfitters, it would have run the risk of an immediate demand for more pay by the boilermakers, and structures from the Governstructures from the Govern

with the boilermakers. The issue bendle some of the ships, and ment for breaking the pay was at the heart of inter-union they would not need any code.

Claim "separate": Mr Hugh Scaulon, AUEW president, said in London yesterday that Swan Hunter would be discussed at next week's meeting in York of the executive of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, representing at the unions concerned (the Press Association

Fine on dog

owner who

by-law

rather than pay.

From John Chartres Burnley

opposes park

Herbert Johns, aged 55, an mimal lover, of Burnley. Lancashire, who refuses to recognize the legality of a new

bylaw banning dogs in the

bylaw paining does in the cown's public parks, was fined 220 on four summonses by Surnley magistrates yesterday. He said he might to to prison

The magistrates adjourned indefinitely four similar summonses against a woman dog

owner after hearing that the legality of the bylaw, which came into effect in June, has still to be tested in the High

Both cases were delayed because of difficulties in assembling a bench of magis-trates able and willing to hear

Members of the "Pro-Dogs

was presented to the town by a former alderman in 1895.

man's right to walk a dog in a park. He found some of the

park rangers "arrogant". Mr Frank Clifford, of Nel-

Court restraining seven members of his organization from walking their dogs in the

reports).
Mr Scanlon said his union executive appreciated that most of the claims for the reestablishment of differentials weer justified.
The executive was not con

demning the outlitters but it believed that the claim should be a separate issue and not involved in the question of the Polish order. His executive was concerned that the maximum amount of work should be carried out in British ship-



Mr Terence Parry, the fiemen's leader, leaving 10 Downing Street with members of his executive.

18,000-gallon tank at the Unigace dairy at Bason Bridge, near Highbridge, Somerset. One of his workmates was taken to hospital suffering from cuts and shock. The other

was treated on the spot for

minor injuries. Altogether six tanks were involved. The men were fitting one of them with safety railings
A representative of the company said: "An oxy-acetylene
burner had been in use."

Downing Street after yester-day's talks on the firemen's

The Prime Minister, the Home Secretary, the Secretary of State for Scotland, and the Secretary of State for Employment met the executive of the Fire Brigades Union at the FBU's request. The Prime Minister told the assembles

he was glad to have the oppor-tunity for a frank talk at which the union could set out their posi-tion and at which he could tell them why the Government was pursuing its present policy.

The FBU executive outlined their

case, emphasizing that they be-lieve they have fullen behind in the wages table. The Prime Min-ister thanked the firemen for the way in which they put their case and said that he accepted that the discontern among firemen is real.

Six fire engines manned by and the computer programming art-time firemen and a "Green room of Potterton International. part-time firemen and a "Green Goddess" fire appliance went to the dairy, but the police said later that there was no fire and no further danger of ex-

Industrial sabotage was one of the motives being considered by the police yesterday after the offices of a heating firm in War-wick had been set on fire. Fires were started in several places in the project drawing office

been so insistent on the need for 10 per cent as the limit of in-crease for national earnings. Inflation is being worked out of the system although we have not yet fully succeeded. But by next spring and early summer it will be lower than for some years. Housewives, pensioners and fami-lies will all feel the benefit of this.

inflation down next year in order to preserve jobs and to remain competitive with other compries. More jobs will be lost if there is a wage explosion. Other countries with whom we are competing have wage settlements—the

tries with whom we are competing have wage settlements—the United States 8 per cent, Japan 8.8 per cent, West Germany 7 per cent, France 12.4 per cent. Our trouble is that we are so highly structured that wage settlements in one area feed through into other areas. Only about 3 per cent of wage negotiations have been aetiled, and other trade unious are looking to see what happens in the firemen's case. Trade unions will be waiting to build on the firemen's estilement. It is not possible for them to be isolated.

Claim cannot be isolated, leaders told

Flames were seen by a passer. by, and troops stationed at War wick and Leamington attended the outbreak, the first in the town since the firemen's dispute

On the merits of the firemen's claim, the Government wants a properly remunerated fire service that does not have a sense of grievance. The Government would be ready to encourage the employers and the union to sit down in work out together what formula should apply for fixing fire service remuneration for a substantial period abead.

The Government would be also ready for employers and the union to sit down and see how their hours could be reduced. If such a formula was agreed the Government would be willing to see negotiations take place on how the results of such a formula could be phased in to hegin operating from next November. If agreement was reached on that, the Government could consider how such an agreement could be underwritten so that it was not

the Government could be underwritten so that it was not thwarted by some unforeseen adverse change in our economic circumstances.

The present strike could not succeed but the Government's desire is to build a long-term future. The Prime Minister spread that there was no need for a further detailed inquiry.

Tyne and Wear County Council is to discuss on Monday demands that troops should be allowed to occupy strike-bound fire stations and use brigade

others to do so. His members were defending the action, and only an interlocutory injunc-tion had been granted. The by-law concerning the Burnley Borough Improvement Acts of 1871 and 1883 was passed by the berough council and approved by the Home Secretary. It has caused wide-

Professor fined over farm stock

spread controversy. The only exemption is for blind persons

guide dogs. Mr Clifford said he knew of no other local auth-ority in the country that applied such a by-law.

Dr Malcolm Head, a World Health Organization adviser, was fined £150 by magistrates at Wakon-on-Thames, Surrey, yesterday, on being found guilty on three charges of causing unnecessary suffering to seven sheep and six fowls bu not giving them proper attention on his experimental farm near Cob-

Dr Head, a professor at Surrey University, said he would appeal against the convictions.

Return home

Miss Jennifer Davis, aged 21, who took successful court action to evict her violent lover from their shared council flat, plans

Take some friends toaparty



and said that he accepted that are discontent among firemen is real. He emphasized that it is in the general interest that the nation should have a property remunerated fire service. This is the Government's objective. The Government's principal mandate is to overcome inflation and it is for that reason that we have

unions suggested a possible compromise providing for a "tacit" closed shop. It appears that the NUJ is turning a blind eye to the position of Mrs Josephine Kirk Smith, a subeditor whose refusal to join the union provoked the stoppage.
She is now a member of the smaller, non-TUC, Institute of Journalists. questioned A thorough investigation of A peace deal is likely to in-volve a commitment for immedoctors' rights to clinical freedom is long overdue, the Socialist Medical Association diate pay negotiations. say in evidence to the Royal

Roll call for dead man Commission on the National The police organized a roll call of hundreds of steelworkers at a British Steel Corporation mill near Rotherham, yesterday to identify a man who fell into Health Service. Such freedom, it argues, means that doctors can spend considerable sums on individual a 1,500°C furnace. They believe

patients with no accountability to the public, which pays for the service, and that the value of costly treatments is rarely challenged. he was Mr Gary Bradbury, aged 25, of Browning Road, West Melton, South Yorkshire. 'Express' owner predicts

has been published only in Mancause of the journalists' pay

Mr Matthews said that "several hundred thousand" extra copies, perhaps as many as 500,000, would be added to as 500,000, wo Mr Keys told Mr Matthews

in a letter sent before yester-day's court decision:

in a letter sent before yesterday's court decision:

I want to see good—and yes, firm
—management in Fleet Street, but
let me also state to you that such
management would not have the
right to pursue a course that pays
no regard to the interests of labour
and the nation.
Sogat objects to your company
(and any other publishers) who
have sought to take unfair advantage of another colleague in the
industry. You seek to promote
the decling sale of the Daily Express to the disadvantage of the
Daily Mirror when that paper has
no means of defending itself.
If this dispute continues much
longer and if you and your colleagues are permitted the opportunity to gain curculation at the
Mirror's expense, then there will
be an need for the Mirror to
contemplate reopening, for you,

and others would have dealt a mortal blow to that organization. Normal, circulation wars, I can and do accept, but not of the type that you propose. Such a war would not only adversely affect print workers, but remove further titles from the market.

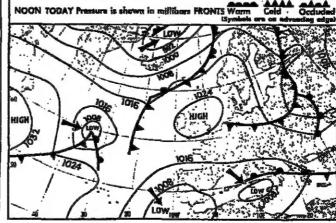
After the Court of Appeal had found in favour of Beaverbrook ewspapers Mr Keys gave an undertaking through counsel not to prevent Sogat members from carrying out their em ployers' instruction to print and publish more copies. The London-based Daily Mirror journalists met last night

in a hall off Fleet Street to discuss the sudden turn in events. Last week the management Last week the management withdrew a pay offer of an increase of £1,533 a year plus a merit review, and a commitment to talk about those affected by new printing technology, after Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, had said that "certain aspects" of the proposed deal (which has been rejected by the journalists) did not conform to the Goverment's pay policy.

An auncyclone will move slowly over Britain. Most parts will be cold and dry with sunny spells, after a frosty start with fog patches.

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Chinical freedom | Weather forecast and recordings



S Wales: Dry, fog patches clearing, bright intervals; wind NE, light; max temp 4°C (39°F).

SE England and Channel Islands: Rather cloudy, occasional showers, perhaps winny; wind NE, light; max temp 4°C (39°F).

E. NW, central N and NE England, W Midlands, N Wales, Lake District, Isle of Man, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow and N Ireland: Freezing fog patches, mostly clearing, sunny spells; wind light, variable; max temp 3°C (37°F), but lacally 0°C (37°F), where fog persists.

Aberdeen, central Highlands, Moray sirth and Argyl: Dry, sunny intervals; wind W, light; max temp 5°C (41°F).

NE and NW Scotland, Orkney and Shetland: Mainly dry, rather cloudy; wind W, moderate; max temp 7°C (45°F).

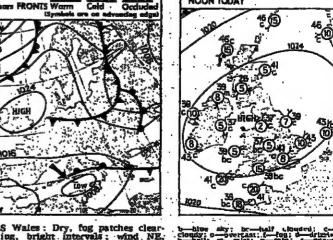
Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Little change. 3.56 pm 7.42 am Moon sets: Moon rises: 10.47 am 8.29 pm Last quarter: December 3. Lighting up: 4.26 pm to 7.14 am. Hight water: London Bridge, 4.6 am, 6.8m (22.4ft); 4.30 pm, 6.8m, (22.4ft). Avonmouth, 9.23 am, 12.2m (40.1ft): 9.43 pm, 12.0m (39.3ft). Dover, 1.8 am, 6.4m (21.1ft); 1.25 pm, 6.2m (20.3ft). Hull, 8.32 am, 6.6m (21.7ft); 8.32 pm, 6.8m (22.5ft). Liver-pool, 1.24 am, 2.4m (27.6ft); 1.36 pm. 8.5m (28.2ft).

patches.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, central S and SW England, East Anglia, E Midlands and Wind N, moderate; sea slight.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; d, driezle ;

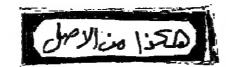


Stratt of Dover and English Channel (E): Wind NE, moderate or fresh; sea slight or moderate. St George's Channel and Irish Sea: Wind variable, light; sea

Yesterday

London: Tenm: max, 6 am to 6 pm, 6°C (43°F); min, 6 pm to 6 am 2°C (36°F). Humidity 6 pm, 78 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 6 pm, nll. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, 0.9hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,023.5 millibars. strady.





dog

owner who opposes park

Are these the week's most uncomfortable facts?



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	FORD SOUTH OF SEMILAR	L6.75 (7p)	£8.50(8½p)	£8.25(8½p)	£11.00(11p)
		£72.80	£102.00	£94.50	Not shown
		£9.75 (10p)	£13.00(12½p)	£12.50(13p)	(Ghia model £19.00(19p)
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TGWU officials may get productivity rises averaging 14%

By Our Labour Staff

The executive of the Transport and General Workers' Union is being recommended to accept a pay deal giving rises of about 14 per cent to the union's 450 full-time officials.

The proposal is to raise by union's 450 full-time officials. The proposal is to raise by £11.44 to £14.30 a week the salaries of officials all over the United Kingdom and Ireland, who earn between £80 and £100 a week. The TGWU, which has ostentatiously refused to accept the Government's 10 per cent limit on earnings, says the income policy. settlement comes within the That claim apparently relies on productivity gains flowing from a reduction of a quarter in the number of full-time officials while membership of the union has risen to more than two million.

Lift dispute continues: Council tenants, office workers and

List dispute continues: Council tenants, office workers and others having to walk upstairs because of a lift engineers' strike over a claim for pay rises averaging 13.5 per cent will get no relief in the immediate future after a decision yesterday by 200 shop stewards.

Population falls

for second

vear running

Service unions gave a warning : Civil Service unions gave a warning yesterday of "disunity, disorder and chaos" over the wage settlement due next April unless the traditional pay research system is reintroduced immediately.

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Mr William Kendall, secretary general of the staff side of the National Whitley Council, told a mass rally in Central Hall, Westminster, that theremight be widespread industrial action.

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He agreed that full pay research was not possible in time for the forthcoming settlement. "But it is still possible to use essential pay research information to produce payresearch-based settlements."

The pay research unit was suspended at the beginning of the income policy in 1975 and is being reactivated for the 1979 settlement. Full research for a settlement normally takes 18 months. 18 months. The full National Whitley

a Council meets for the first time top since 1950 tomorrow at the unions' request. The permanent The stewards, representing secretaries of the main department secretaries of the main department secretaries of the main department within the next five or six days. They belong to the Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union.

The Engineering Employers' Federation, representing the 30 affected companies, made a "final offer" yesterday, of increases of between £4.20 and £7.20 a week.

unions' request. The permanent secretaries of the main departments will be present. Mr Kenneth Thomas, general secretaries of the main departments will be present. Mr Kenneth Thomas, general secretaries of the main departments will be present. Mr Kenneth Thomas, general secretaries of the main departments will be present. Mr Kenneth Thomas, general secretaries of the main departments will be present. Mr Kenneth Thomas, general secretaries of the main departments will be present. Mr Kenneth Thomas, general secretaries of the main departments will be present. Mr Kenneth Thomas, general secretaries of the main departments will be present. Mr Kenneth Thomas, general secretary of the Civil and Public Services Association, said the meeting would be "the greatest collection of mandarins since the coronation".

He added: "The Governments' refusal to use the pay research machinery for 1978 can only mean it intends to

Peace prospects depend screw us, even if it cannot screw the rest of the combeavily on the London area of the union, which has about the union, which has about the thousand liftmen, They

Mr Hattersley attacks EEC farming policy By Hugh Clayton

By a Staff Reporter
The numbers of live births and deaths so far this year have continued to drop in com-parison with the same period o" 1976, according to returns published today by the Office of Population Censuses and

Surveys.
In the first 46 weeks of this year there were 512,171 live births compared with 527, 532 in 1976. Deaths have fallen from 521,937 in the first 46 weeks of 1976 to 504,474 for

weeks of 1976 to 504,474 for the same period this yar. The figure for births is 97 per cent of the previous year's figure, and the figure for dearhs represents 96 per cent.

The number of births has fallen from 589,000 for the year ended September, 1976, to 566,000 at September this year. Deaths fell from 596,000 to 581,000. For the second year running the population conrunning the population con-tinues to decline in terms of liDe births compared with

emigration and immigration but emigration is expected to outstrip immigration and add to the general decline in pop-

Manx MPs plan rise Manx MPs are proposing to increase subsistence allowances

Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer State for Prices and Consumer Protection, said yesterday that shoppers were bewildered and offended by the impact of EEC farm policy. Consumers were financing production of food they did not want

Speaking at the Farmers' Club in London, he said he saw a clash between the effects of the common seriousland policy.

the common agricultural policy and the Government's aim for a lower rate of inflation. His comments came during a debare about the EEC inside

the Labour Party and while the Government is preparing for the 1978 farm price review Final adjustments to British food prices at the end of transitional period of EEC membership will entail a rise of 7p a pound on butter next year and at least 3p a pound on beet.

Deportation man fails to get his freedom

Frimpone Mensah, aged 35, a Ghanaian mechanic, who is being held in Pentonville prison while the Home Office decides whether to deport him, failed yesterday in an attempt to win his freedom so that he could leave Britain voluntarily.

The application for immediate release if granted, would give opportunity for freedom for other immigrants being similarly held.

Mr Mensah, a married man, who has been in Britain for who has been in Britain for four years, was convicted last September of harbouring an illegal immigrant. He had been fined £100 and recommended for deportation by Mr Brian Canham, the Maryleboue magistrate. An appeal against conviction was dismissed.

Mr Robert Winstanley Mr

Mr. Robert Winstanley, Mr. Mensah's solicitor, told Mr. Canbam yesterday that under schedule 3 of the Immigration Act. 1971, a magistrate, even after a deportation recom-mendation had been made and mendation had been made and
the subject taken into custody,
could order the release of the
person being held, pending a
Home Office decision.
Mr Canham ruled that he was
unable to consider the application. He said it should be made
to the judge who had dealt with

to the judge who had dealt with Mr Mensah's appeal.

After the hearing Mr Reuben

Davies, of Haringey Immigrants:
Advice Centre, said that since
his appeal failed Mr Mensah
had been in custody for four
weeks. Hundreds like him weeks. Hundreds like him would leave the country voluntarily if released.
"Ir costs £100 a week to

"Ir costs £100 a week to keep the man in custody, unnecessarily", he said. "The Home Office says he has to wait until the Home Secretary can sign a deportation order, but that he is now so busy because there are so many strikes that he has not the time to sign the order."

New amnesty: A new amnestey for some illegal immigrants was amnounced yesterday by the Home Secretary.

amnounced yesterday by the Home Secretary.

Powers to expel Commonwealth and Pakistan citizens who entered illegally by deceiving immigration officials before the Immigration Act, 1971, came fully into force on January 1, 1973, will not be used, Mr Rees said in a Commons written reply. That decision brings their treatment into line with that of illegal immigrants who entered before 1973 by dodging immigration controls.

Mr Rees said that the dorision did not apply to those who last eptered by deception after January 1, 1973, or to seamen deserters, stowaways or people who were subject to deportation He also put a time limit on applications under that and a previous amnesty of December 31, 1978. Parliamentary report, page 12



Death of prisoner could have been avoided, sheriff says

yesterday.

At a fatal accident inquiry, at Glasgow Sheriff Court, Sheriff Reid found that Mr Winters, aged 34, died by choking on his vomit while unconscious, as a result of an overdose of Tuinal, probably smuggled in by another prisoner. There was no evidence that he committed suicide, he said.

"The Tuinal appears to have

suicide, he said.

"The Tuinel appears to have been brought in by the prisoner John Neeson, who collected it in a toilet at the Douglas Inch. Institute (Glasgow psychiatric; clinic) during a visit to the clinic in the course of treatment, the sheriff added. "Winters's death might have been avoided by strict searching of prisoners who had left the special unit on escorted visits."

He recommended that to pre-He recommended that to pre-

The death of Laurence Winters, a convicted killer, in the special unit at Barlinnie prison. Glasgow, in September, could have been avoided by strict searching of prisoners. Sheriff Principal Robert Reid, QC, said yesterday.

At a fatal accident inquiry, at Glasgow Sheriff Court, Sheriff Reid found that Mr Winters, aged 34, died by choking on his womit while unconscious, as a beautiful of the post and on to the floor. His body was cold."

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He said that while in the unit, said no prisoner returning from such a visit would be searched "unless there was any reason to believe there was something untoward". muched him be fell off the pot and on to the floor. His body was cold."

He said that while in the unit, he was attending the Dougles linch clinic for group discussions. Where was something untoward "there was something untoward" there was something to the winters had approached him to collect some stuff from a lava-

Campaign to keep unit open

A campaign to keep open the controversial special unit at Barlinnie prison, Glasgow, was launched yesterday by Prop. the national prisoners' rights movement, and Mr Russell Kerr, Labour MP for Hourslow, Felt-

Mr Kerr chellenged Mr Mr Edward Teylor, Conservative MP for Glasgow, Cathcart, to spend 48 hours with him in the unit he has so often criticized.

"We shall see whether he remains of the same opinion after the period", he said. Mr Kerr and Prop fears that the future of the unit is threat-ened because of its turnsual methods. Althogh it hoses five of Scotland's most dangerous

and disruptive criminals, it allows the inmates wide scope for self-expression and encourages trust between warders and prisoners.

Mr Kerr said he would like to see the ideas behind the unit, which has experienced no violent incidents since it was set up in 1973, extended to prisons south of the border. Recent events, including the death of Mr Winters and allegations that prisoners were allowed sexual relations with

Miss Margaret Howarth, a member of Prop, who visited Barlinnie with Mr Kerr in October, said plans to change the natur cof the unit had been laid in May.

visitors, have brought its future

Inquiry into Ulster brutality allegations

From Christopher Walker

Three investigators from

Three investigators from Amnesty International yesterday began a detailed inquiry into widespread allegations of police and army brutality in Northern Ireland.

Although the hearings will be in private, The Times has obtained details of allegations that will be made by individuals and by Protestant and Roman Catholic pressure groups.

Three cases are generally regarded as representative of the type of allegations that will be made. They show the seriousness of the allegations and the difficulty Amnesty will face in assessing their validity.

In contrast to Amnesty's last

In contrast to Amnesty's last visit after internment was introduced in 1971, the Governmen and the police have indicated willingness to cooperate. Unofficially, senior officers of the Royal Ulster Constabulary are known to be confident that the report will find no evidence of ill-treatment, although they are prepared for criticism in indi-vidual instances.

Among the detailed allega-tions are the following: 1. Mr Leo Martin, aged 23, a member of a well known republi-

can family, says he was arrested by soldiers on August 12 and held in police and military cushedy for three days. In a three-page statement, he says he was betten with rifle butts, kicked, and spreadeagled against a wall.

His evidence will be accompanied by 10 colour phonographs showing wounds he alleges he suffered at the hands of the security forces.

2. Mr Bernard O'Commor, aged 34, a Roman Catholic schoolteacher from co Fernanagh, arrested on January 22, was taken to the Castiereagh police holding centre on the outskirts of Belfast, While under interrogation, he says he was forced to pick up cigarette butts in his mouth and lick water off the floor.

At one point, his statement says: "A track suit top was put round was head in hood-tries" and its

"A track suit top was put round my head in hood-style" and his nose and mouth were blocked. Mr O'Connor's allegations formed part of a controversial BBC documentary broadcast on March 2. Since then his attempts to prosecute the police have been rejected by Ulster's independent Director of Public

Prosecutions.

3. Mr Sean Mackin, aged 19, a west Belfast labourer, is also connected with a well known republican family. In a five-page stamment he alleges that during interrogation at Castlereagh in May he was made to do press-up exercises, was beaten, and forced to

At one point, he sileges about his police questioners: "I asked for the doctor, and one said he would get him for me. A few minutes later he came back in with anotherman who said he was a doctor. He asked what had happened to my face. "Had I fell (sic.) I said no, that I had been heaten up. He asked me where I was sore? I said, my shomach and my jaw. He then asked me to lift up my shirt. When I did this he pushched me in the stomach and the jaw. He said that was the best medicine for a terrorist hastard like me."

Mr Mackin's statement is accompanied by a report signed

accompanied by a report signed by Dr G. D. O'Neili, a Roman oy Dr. G. D. U'Neili, a Roman Catholic general practitioner from Springfield Road. It men-tions injuries said to have been found on the patient, including six thumb-sized bruises on his forearm, and concludes: "I have no doubt that he was

A senior RUC official said yesterday that he could not comment on the allegations. Mr Martin's case was still in the hands of the DPP, Mr Mackin was still under investigation by police officers deputed to m handle complaints, and Mr O'Comer's was the subject of

The Queen will today visit the collection of more than 800 gifts she has received during jubiles year. She has said that nothing is to be thrown away, and will decide to which of her homes each item should even-

The Queen's jubilee year

DPP had ruled that there would be no criminal prosuming against the police. The official added:

added:
The chief constable has made it clear on many occasions that neither he, nor the head of any organization, could ever say that there has never been one occasion when one of his men may have faffen short of the mark. But he sist made clear that in the RUC we have the most rigorous system for dealing with complaints to be found in the United Kingdom.

found in the United Kingdom.

We also have documented cases of occasions where prisoners have inflicted injuries on themselves, or where they have deliberately engineered violent incidents. Among other factors, the propagands campaign of allegations against the police is indicative of our continuing success in obtaining a high rate of convictions against terrorists.

ists.

We also have the tightest system for safeguarding the welfare of prisoners. A prisoner is medically examined before interrogation and after, and can call for a doctor at any time during questioning. flarifer ithis summer a system was also introduced whereby private doctors can be brought in by relatives. I emphasize again that a no time has there been any toleration of a practice of all treatment by the RUC.

A section of the exhibition

A section of the exhibition is devoted to loyal addresses, some of them delivered by barge, bicycle, and, in one case, fishing boat. Another contains the gifts accepted by the Queen during her tour of the South Pacific, including a necklace of reach and two human shalls.

teeth and two human skells from Papua New Guinea. The

from Papua New Guinea. The skulls are objects of worship.

The desire by the exhibition organizers to mingle the grand gift with the humble is illustrated by a display cabinet containing an artist's impression of the Rolls-Royce Phantom Six Ilmousine in claret and black to be given by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, placed beside a teddy bear wearing a red-white-and-blue outfit.

The motor industry is con-tributing £60,000 towards the

cost of the car, but production has been held up because of a strike at the coachwork division at Willesden, north London. The

strikers have written a letter of apology for the delay to the

Another exhibition in aid of

Report on the roots of poverty

By Par Healy Social Services Correspondent The most fundamental deprirations faced by the poor in inner-city areas are housing and money, particularly money, a consultants' report to the Government says. Policias need to be directed towards those because innertains social. needs, because improving social services would only alleviate the worst sufferings of the poor and not touch the fundamental

The report, on the circumstances of femilies in the Small stances of femilies in the Small Heath area of Birmingham, was published yesterday by the Department of the Environment. A total of 136 of the poorest families were interviewed.

The authors conclude: "The great need for most poor families was simple more money, preferably earned; if not, derived from adjustments to taxes and allowances or through in-

and allowances or through income support.

"There is nothing specific to Small Hearn in this conclusion: earnings for unskilled work are earnings for unskilled work are not low compared to other greas and residents regard it as a cheap place to live. But they suffer further deprivation on top of lack of money, in their housing and in their social and physical environment, and these are related to the area." Society in War and Peace 1938-

One women, whose husband was frequently unemployed and who had sometimes to resort to open fires for cooking, told the interviewer: "Sometimes I just feel like running and leavjust reel like running and reaving the lot. In my bedroom,
when it rains, it just drips in.
In the lads' room there is a big
dent in the ceiling, ready to collapse right down on top of
them, but they won't do any
repairs for you."

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Circumstances of Families, Innar-Area Study, Birmingham IAS/B'12 (Department of the Environment, 12.60).

Hughie Green for trial on drink driving charges

Hughie Green, aged 57, the television compere, was com-mitted for trial at Kingston upon Thames Crown Court by Richmond magistrates yester-day on two drink and driving charges. He pleaded not guilty. Reporting restrictions were lifted at the request of the

The exhibition, which is in aid of the Queen's Sliver Jubilee Appeal Fund, is open from 10 am until 7 pm, except on Sundays, when it will be open Mr Green, of Baker Street, St Marylebone, was charged with driving with an excessive blood-akohol level and while unfit through drink or drugs. Mr eith Evans, for the defence, said that Mr Green provided a blood sample which appeared to show 220 miligrams the appeal, will be opened by the Prince of Wales at the Press Club, London, today. The ex-hibition, "Not By Appoint-ment", is of cartoons of the to 100 millilitres. Yet less than an hour later, when he took a breath test, the crystals did not Diary, page 16 rurn green.

New techniques 'could cut spastic births by half'

children born every year in Britain, according to a report from the Scottish Council for Spastics, published yesterday. Investigations covering 10 by 35 per cent, petrol allowances by 20 per cent for themselves and Manx Government officials. years by doctors and aurses ar the Simpson Maternity Pavilion and the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh, estab-

team reduced brain damage from an average rate of 2.7 a thousand live births to 1.25 a thousand, well below the pre-sent United Kingdom figure. Improved methods of feeding tiny premature babies had reduced illness in them from between 25 and 33 per cent in the abnormal behaviour had been

brain damage, were now doing so in a fraction of the time In cases of asphyxia improved obstetric and paediatric techniques had helped to reduce damage from 1.5 to 0.4 a thous-

By John Roper
Health Services Correspondent
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mother in six with rhesus-negative blood group, and intense light treatment were so successful that among 30,000 births at the Simpson Pavilion since 1970 there had not been one case of cerebral palsy from nomes each item should eventually be sent.

They are in the state rooms at
St James's Palace and will be
on view to the public from
tomorrow until December 24.

Most of the gifts were given
by people in Britain, some of
whom stood patiently in the
crowds and waited for a suitable
moment to thrust their parcels
into the Queen's hand as she
walked by. Their china flowers,
beakers, coathangers, dolls
dressed as the Queen, toys, and
socks, have a place in the
exhibition alongside the grander
gifts given by heads of state,
local authorities and industry.

Many people have sent paintings of the Queen, but Sir
Seretse Khama, on behalf of
the people of Botswans, gave a
large painting of a confrontation
between a lion and a buffalo.

The President of Turkey has
given an embroidered silk tablecloth, President Kenyatus of
Kenya an onyx table and the

Minister denies attempt to take

By Our Education

There is no question of the Government's trying to seize control of the curriculum in schools, Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said yesterday.

Speaking at a press conference to mark the publication of the Government's circular asking local authorities to review arrangements for the curriculum in their areas, Mrs Williams said she regretted the National Union of Teachers' decision not to cooperate with the question-naire included in the circular.

She nevertheless hoped to be able to reassure the National Union of Teachers that the circular was not "a secret attempt to hijack the curriculars"

over curriculum

Correspondent

The union's cooperation was

not essential, however, she said. It was the local authorities, not the teachers, which were being asked to reply to ques-tions on what they thought they were doing, what they would like to do and what difficulties they had in carrying out what they wanted to do.

ulum.

Teaching the blind: Blind an partially sighted children should be integrated be integrated into ordinary schools, the National Federation of the Blind said yesterday in a contribution to the educational debate the Press Association

Volcanism in Australasia, His-tory of Ashbu de la Zouch and The Co-operative Wholesale MP wants MI6 war papers published

Royal Family.

Kenya an onyx table and the Pope a rare copy of the Bible. To provide gifts many people painted, knitted, embroidered and sculptured, and a coalminer

even carved a replica of jewelry out of a lump of coal. One woman sent a rock and roll

Among the many books are

publication of natters wer, by David Irving.

The Government's refusal to publish any document mentioning MI6 led, Mr Latham believes, to Mr Irving's construction of an unjustified conspiracy theory about the German peace initiative

By Peter Hennessy

The Prime Minister will be questioned in Parliament today about the practice of withholding all secret: documents that reflect the peacetime existence of chandestine espionage agencies for more than the usual 30 years.

Mr Michael Lacham, Conservative MP for Melton, will ask Mr Callaghan to announce the results of a government of the results of a government review of such matters. Ministers have been reluctant to abandon the present 30-year rule, which enables them to abandon the present 30-year rule, which enables them to avoid answering questions about activities of the Secret Intelligence Service, or MI6 as it is known, in Parliament.

Mr Latham's innerest which springs from his background as an historian was aroused by the publication of Hitler's War, by David Irving.

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The Prime Minister will be autumn of 1939 by a Sweeths businessman, Bierger Dablerus. In a foomote to page 30 of Hitler's War, Mr Irving wrote: National Socialist regime. The memorandum was sent From he papers of Churchull talked approvingly of an armistice. How the Heighton of the Belgian it is a series of Fo internal minutes, the content of the memorandum is a series of Fo internal minutes, the content of the memorandum is a series of Fo internal minutes. We will the year 2015.

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when Mr Latham raised Mr Irving's claim with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Lord Goronwy-Roberts, Minister of State, replied that all the papers on the Dahlerus mission were available at the Public Record Office. No file was closed for 50 years. He added:

The 45 pages of FO 371/22985.

artham beng's conmijustified which we have had to close for 75
years, consist mainly of a lengthy.
but quite imocuous, memorandum
integrative on Hitler and the German attitude

Admard Sir Hugh Sinclair, then Director of the Secret Intelligence Service. Fear of revealing his name, his post and the existence of his organization, even though the file was compiled during warrime, has led to the retention of what Lord Goronwy Roberts describes as an "janocuous" document for 75 years.

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Unemployment cost put at £3,400m in lost output

part of the high costs unemploy-ment places on society and the individual, he told a Birming-ham University audience last

night.
Mr O'Brien, who was delivering the first of the newly insti-tuted annual Mason Memorial Lectures, based the figure on Lectures, based the figure on an assumption that even full employment meant 500,000 out of work. He said it did not include the cost of social benefits and lost tax. Those who believed that em-

ployment was no longer a serious matter because the unemployed were given adequate incomes were wrong, he said.
Unemployment benefit in Britain compared unfavourably with that in other Western European countries. Despite much anecdoral evidence it was much anecogal evidence it was rarely true that people were better off out of work. Even where it might hold good, as in the case of a man with many dependants, research showed that money on its own did not approach the corrective and deovercome the corrosive and de-structive personal effects of un-

Mr O'Brien said the assumption that there was no serious difficulty was socially dangerous in its implications. If unemployment remained high we should need to guard against a

Voluntary homes for old people are badly designed, offer interior care compared with local authority homes and are grossly understaffed, a working party report says today. They are nevertheless being relied on increasingly in moving resistants.

increasingly to provide residential care for people for whom local authorities cannot find places.

By our Social Services

Correspondent

By Mark Jackson, of The Times
Educational Supplement
Unemployment cost Britain
13,400m in lost production last
year, Mr Richard O'Brien, chairman of the Manpower Services
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mission would try to neip by improving its placement network, by better prediction of changes in the labour market, and by providing the right training and adult retraining to meet the needs of the economy and of individuals. A new training policy designed to cover those needs will be announced next week. nounced next week.

Mr O'Brien challenged the view that universities and poly-technics should teach only what ras useful to industry. Quality of mind is as impor-

tant in industry as elsewhere, and industry can and does get real value from graduates of all academic disciplines.", he said. Miss Arrowsmith chooses prison

Pat Arrowsmith, aged 47. the peace campaigner, was jailed by magistrates in Willesden, London, yesterday for refusing to pay a fine for obstructing the highway outside the Grun-

wick film processing plant in

Call to improve old people's homes

residential care are in voluntary homes: the proportion in England and Wales is 18 per cent.

The Government should therefore, make it easier for voluntary organizations to bring old menale's homes up to for themselves although public. therefore, make it easier for voluntary organizations to bring old people's homes up to the standards of local authority homes, the working party says in particular, improvement own homes for as long as pos-

find places.

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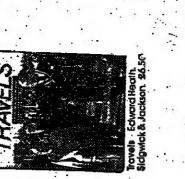
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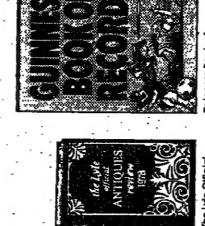


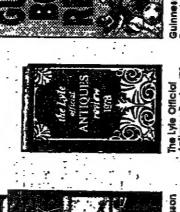




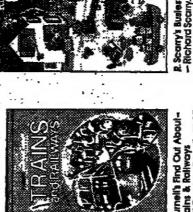




























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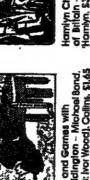








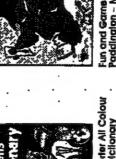






















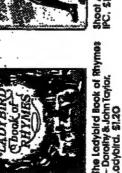












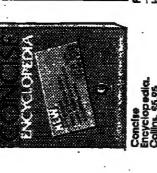














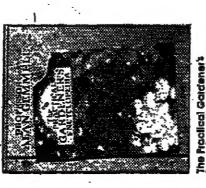
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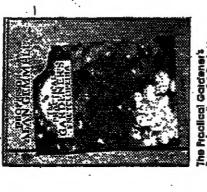


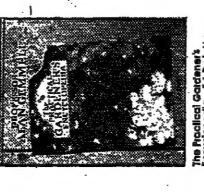


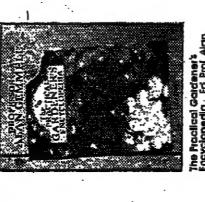


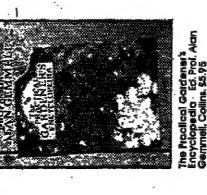


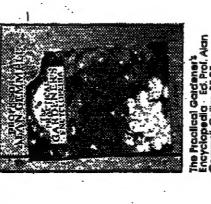


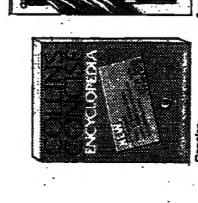














Curb on development of Exmoor urged in Porchester report

Powers to protect moorland areas of high scenic and amenity value and to compensate farmers and landowners for any resulting financial loss are recommended in a report on Exmoor published yesterday.
The report, by Lord Porchester, was commissioned by the Department of the Environment and the Ministry of Agri-culture last April, after dis-putes between farmers and conservationists. Lord Por-chester's brief was broadly to assess the extent of changes in land use and to recommend ways of ensuring a proper bal-ance between conflicting

Although he makes clear that his terms of reference specifically concerned Exmoor, the Ministry of Agriculture said yesterday that some of the recommendations might have implications for other national parks. The National Farmers' Union said the proposals would cause concern to Exmoor's farming community and to all farming community and to all farmers in national parks.

In spite of the report's expressed conviction that farmers should not be made to feel they are working against park interests, it is being seen as a victory for the conservationists. It was described as precisely that by the Council for the Protection of Rural England, The Exmoor Society aid it was delighted

Many of its recommendations can be assumed to have been influenced by the views of the Countryside Commission, which told Lord Porchester that it was convinced that the powers available to the park authority were inadequate. Lord Porchester finds grounds for concern about the rate of reclamation of moor-land for agriculture in the past 30 years. "If the balance of Exmoor scenery is not to be adversely affected, a category of land must be defined where change from the traditional appearance should be firmly

resisted", be states. The identification of such a urgently by the park suthority. There should be a firm commitment to the conservation of the defined areas, and accordingly a presumption against agricultural reclamation.

The report calls on the Ministry of Agriculture to recognize and support a policy of conservation, to the point where it will feel obliged to withhold grants for reclamation in designated. in designated areas.

It acknowledges that the EEC farm modernization

EEC farm modernization directive may be "something of a straitjecket" in not permitting the ministry to dis-

necessary to loosen the strings, to give the ministry discretion to stay its hand.

Lord Porchester considers that the effects of a conservation policy on national agri-cultural production would be negligible. But the implications for the individual farmer are completely different

"For him, the withholding of grant could be a serious threat to the continuing viability of his holding", he observes. "He must clearly be protected from any adverse consequences of a policy of this kind and to that end should be

Lord Porchester states that he favours a once-and-for-all capital payment to the occupier as well as the owner. The cost should be borne by central funds, although that may be affected by the present discussions between the Government and local authority associations on how best to finance purchases in the national parks.

The proposed moorland conservation orders would carry conservation orders would carry a right of appeal through a public inquiry. The park authority should be committed to purchase land within the defined areas, as the opportunity arises and, quite separate from the question of compensation, farmers should be able to qualify for conservation grants. quality for conservation grants.

Not more than 12,800 acres of moorkand within the "critical amening area" are at risk, the report says. If conservation orders were applied to that acreage over the years the maximum cost of compensation would be between £250,000 and £1m.

In a reference to the prolonged dispute that provoked the report, Lord Porchester observes that had feeling on the park committee has sometimes hampered good administration. Although he considers that "the character of Exmoor can be endangered not only by too much farming but too kinle",

the initial response of the farmers' union yesterday seemed uncompromisingly hostile. Some of the proposals were difficult to reconcile with the balance of interest that the report accepted was necessary, would be negative in operation and would lose the good will of farmers, it said.

But the Country Landowners Association said the report was well balanced. It was glad that Lord Porchester had rejected new powers of compulsory pur chase and wide extension the planning system, but his proposal of more conservation orders would require detailed A Study of Exmoor. Report by Lord Porchester (Stationery Office, £2.75).

When the Albert Hall goes back to school

Happiest proms of their lives

Education Correspondent

Proof that standards in at least one area of school life have been rising rapidly in recent years was offered at the successful two-day schools promenade concerts given in the Albert Hall, London, which ended last night. Tickets for the concerts, now

in their third year, were sold out three mouths in advance, largely to schoolchildren, judging from the audience. Two Russian song and dance groups were among the 800 young musicians featured in the performances, the first time the concerts have had any comribution from abroad.

There was a refreshingly irreverent carnival atmosphere in the vast hall when I went on Monday night, with paper streamers, banners, flags, air-borne paper and waving schol scarves all helping to show the audience's nevertheless genuine appreciation of some excellent

Menuhin beamed down at the teenagers in the pit after play-ing the solo violin part in Vivaldi's Concerto in C Major, backed by the chamber orches-tra of the William Ellis School, Camden, London, and said:
"My successes! On both sides
of the platform!"

Mr Menuhin has done a lot to bring music to young people, as performers and listeners

The music was impressive in quality and in its wide range, varying on Monday from handbell ringers from St John's Primary School, Rowlands Castle, Hampshire, and the 12+ members of the classical guitar ensemble from Holme Valley, Holmfirth, West Yorkshire, so the bear band from the London borough of Hillingdon and the 106 members of the County Youth Orch-Surrey

The most outstanding performance of the evening for arts.

sheer professionalism and pan-ache was to my mind the Kingsdale School Dance Band from south-east London, featur-ing some superbly relaxed solo improvisations in two big band

impressive and delightful was by the 70 girls, aged eight to 12, all dressed in red, of the Redlands Junior Recorder Band, from Worksop, Noting. hamshire, playing a rondeau by Purcell and a fugue in G with chorale by Albrechtsberger.
The schools promenade concerts are sponsored by The Times Educational Supplement.
The National Music Council of

Great Britain local authority award for 1977 was presented yesterday to the London borough of Greenwich, The council's local education authority award was won by Kirklees, West Yorkshire. The Kirkless, West Yorkshire. The awards are designed to encourage the participation of local authorities in the musical



Leena Ropponen, Eila Kettunen, Merja Saalasti, Marika Simola and Tuula Hakarainen before the au pair girls' agreement was signed.

Fair deal for au pair girls signed

By David Nicholson-Lord Five Finnish girls ettending the signing of a charter to guarantee conditions of future Finnish au pair girls in Britain, yesterday shook their blonde tresses, smiled winningly and rejected any suggestion they were overworked, underpaid or subjected to advances from lecherous husbands. The only sign of exploitation came when the girls peeled off

their owner layers and walked up and down London's distinctly chilly Baker Street for the benefit of press photographers. The charter, agreed between Finland's Ministry of Labour and the Federation of Personnel Services of Great Britain, gives the girls a guaranteed maxithe girls a guaranteed maximum working day of five hours, one full day off a week, a week's boliday after six months, with a "going home" bonus of 50p for each week worked and weekly pocket money of £7.10. In return they will provide what are described as "daily family duties". Two hours of baby-sixing, however, counts as one hour of work. es one hour of work.

Individual agreements will be signed by the girl and her "hostess". The charter will be

reviewed annually at national level and overseen by the federation, which represents 1,300 of Britain's 3,500 private employment agencies in its membership. A similar agreement has been signed with the Norwegian Government.

But the agreement will benefit only some of the estimated 15,000 au pair girls in Britain at any time. Only 900 of them are Famish or Norwegian.

The girls at the signing were marvellously contented. The typical routine for Miss Marja Kettunen, aged 22, of Pinner, is three hours' work in the morning and two or three after-

morning and two or three after-noons' baby-sitting each week. For the rest of the time she is free to arrend English lessons and spend her 19 pocket money.

BR unable to match lorries for fish traffic Speedier housing schemes

roads on to the rail system on the way from Mailaig in west Scotland to The Netherlands was offered by British Rail witnesses at a Commons select

nesses at a Commons select committee yesterday.

Mr Hamish Watt (Banffshire, Scot Nat) asked Mr Leslie Soane, general manager of Scottish Region, British Resilways, whether it had made any effort to go after the fish traffic from Maliaig and to take the 30-ton Dutch lorries off the narrow west cost roads. to go after the fish traffic from Mallaig and to take the 30-ton Dutch lorries off the narrow west coast roads.

Mr Watt: Are you asking the committee to believe that Mr Soane said the Dutch you could not match the speed

which British Rail could not march at present.
He told Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop (Tiverton, C) enother member of the trade and industry sub-committee of the expenditure committee, investi-gating the fishing industry, that, while refrigerated wagons could be linked to the back of passenger services from Mal-bia the transit time service be

"I haven't been so happy for years."

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Mr Soans: If we had a regular flow of traffic that would justify a special train. That is the problem: the volume and the seasonal nature of the fishing industry, which thes up resources which we cannot afford to keep lying around for use at the drop of a hat.

Mr Roy Harries, chief freight manager, said they would like a financial commitment from the fishing industry for refrigerated transport, for which the industry could get government aid, although British Rail could not.

Trust acquires Welsh island of pilgrimage From Our Correspondent Holyhead

Bardsey Island, two miles off the tip of north-west Wales and a sanctuary for many rare birds, has been acquired by a trust that will open it to the

public. The Bardsey Island Trust, a registered charity company, has obtained for £103,000 an option to purchase the 450-acre island from Mr Michael Pearson, son

of Lord Cowdray.

Dr Richard Arnold, secretary of the Bardsey Bird and Field Observatory and a member of the trust, said yesterday: "The trust must now raise £200,000 within three years in order to secure the island."

Bardsey has a small school-house, an eighteenth-century cottage, six ninteenth-century farmhouses, a church and manse and the remains of the thirteenth-century Augustinian abbey of St Mary.

Dr Arnold said: "The trust will protect the island's beauty.

Judge 'made a technical error' in murder trial From Our Correspondent

Leeds
Mr Justice Peter Pain said
at Leeds Crown Court yesterday that he made a technical error after a prisoner John Paton, had changed his plea last week and admitted killing a fellow prisoner. He told the jury yesterday that after he had jailed Mr Paton, aged 41, for life, last week, he realized that he had failed to obtain a formal guilty verdict from the jury.

that that made the first trial a nutlity", he said. When Mr Paton, from Luton Bedfordshire, had the murder charge put to him again after the error, he changed his plea for a second time and denied killing Robert Houston, aged 23, in Wakefield jail 14 months

came to the conclusion

ago. The retrial continues today.

By Our Parliamentary Staff Little prospect of getting night and day, arriving in The Channel ports? Little prospect of getting night and day, arriving in The Channel ports? Netherlands within 48 hours, Mr Some: If we had a

By Christopher Warman Local Government

Correspondent Councils could save many millions of pounds by streamlining the management of their house building programmes, a work-ing group set up by the local authority associations states in a report published today.

It says that each year local authorities start about 100,000 new dwellings, and have under construction houses worth about £1,400m. If those dwellings could be brought into use more quickly it would mean better frousing conditions and less misery that much earlier for those boursely like.

those households.

Mr Tom McLauchie, chairman
of the working group, told a
press conference that if 5 per
cent of the annual value could
be saved, it would yield £70m
for more and better housing.
"I would hope that a 5 per cent
saving could be achieved", he
said.
"The product ground in the said.

The working group was set up by the local authority associations last February after a meeting with Mr Preeson, Minister for Housing and Construction. It represents local government's own self-critical

authorities based on the practices of the best councils. Most councils could benefit if they looked egain at their management structures and information systems, the report con-

Giving an example of savings councils could make the report councils could make the report says that on a development for 100 bouses costing £1.25m, a feasible reduction in the time from start to finish could save £47,000 or about 4 per cent.

But there must be clear decisions on policy and resources from the principal policy committee. A single committee must have full responsibility for the housebuilding programme, and should delegate responsibility to officers, who should be allowed to get on with their jobs.

A development manager with

to get on with their jobs.

A development manager with executive responsibility should be appointed in each authority to be responsible for implementing the housing development programme. He would be fully accountable to the committee for the progress of all aspects of housing schemes.

The working group is to publish a second report before next summer concentrating on affi-

government's own self-critical look at the situation with the help of the Department of the Environment and the private sector.

The group's aim was to produce a constructive report to provide guidelines for local self-critical telety and varue for money. The Management of Local Authority Housebuilding Programmes. AMA, 36 Old Queen Street, London, SWIH 9JE; ADC, 25: Buckingham Gate, London, SWIE or Department of Environment. Room 1107, Becket House, provide guidelines for local SEI 7ER, 50p).

Workmates informed on man in schoolgirl case

A council rat catcher's workmates who remembered that he
had boasted about the good time
was on her way home when she had boasted about the good time he had had with a woman late one night, nine months before, recalled what he had told them when they heard about a sadistic rape, and told the police, Miss Ann Curnow, for the prosecu-tion, said at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

National publicity about the case, involving a girl of 14, last July, prompted Mr Roberts's friends to inform. The day after the report appeared detectives were waiting for him as he arrived for work, counsel said. Mr Roberts, aged 30, of Holness Road, Stratford, London, was jailed for 22 months when he pleaded guilty to having un-lawful sexual intercourse with

No motorway bids Four years after inviting tenders for a proposed service area on the M6Z motorway near Goole, Humberside, the De-Goole, Humberside, the De a day among 122 arrests he partment of Transport has still made between February and not received a bid.

was grabbed by three boys, two of 15 and one of 14. They threatened her with a knife and dragged her onto a common where she was stripped naked. She was subjected to a most disgusting sexual ordeal, during which she was raped at least seven times and kicked.

As she lay helpless, too terrified or too exhausted to scream for help or put up resistance, two men who had been drinking appeared. One of them was Mr Roberts. The boys invited them to have intercourse with the victim and they did so.
In July last the boys were he pleaded guilty to having un-lawful sexual intercourse with a girl under 16. His plea of not had not been caught.

Arresting award Police Constable Joseph Wilson, aged 31, of Bradford received a bonus of £50 yester day for catching 12 suspects in October.

The instruction by Mr William Keys, general secretary of the Society of Graphical and Alled Trades, to members at the Daily Express not to produce extra copies in view of the non-publication of the Daily Mirror in London was held not to be in furtherance of a trade dispute and not in the public dispute. it could be excused that was con-trary to the law. It had been suggested that the

Newspaper wins appeal over

of a trade dispute and not in the public inverset.

The Court of Appeal allowed an appeal by Beaverbrook Newspapers Lot from the refusal of Mr Justice Cusack, in chambers vesterday, to grant them an interfectory injunction restraining Mr Keys from inducing those of the Daily Express employees who were Sogat members to break their contracts of employment by refusing to handle or distribute such quantities of the paper as the plaintiff company might reasonably direct.

Their Lordships accepted at undertaking on behalf of Mr Keys in the terms of the injunction sought.

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Sought. Mr Andrew Leggatt, QC, and Mr Geoffrey Shaw for the Daily Express; Mr Smart Shields, QC, and Mr Michael Brent for Mr

and Mr Michael Brent for Mr Keys.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the Daily Mirror was in dispute with its journalists. That was certainly a trade dispute. As a result publication of the paper had stopped on November 21. In consequence the Daily Express had greatly increased its circulation. On the evening of November 23, when the Daily Express was getting ready to print an extra 750,000 copies the director of industrial relations was informed than an instruction had been given by someome from Sogat that no extra copies should be published. He telephoned Mr Keys, who said that he was sorry about all the arrangements made for the extra copies but that he had instructed his members not to handle any extra copies. Mr Keys told the director that the law might be on

Beaverbrook Newspapers Ltd v his side but that he (Mr Keys) had common sense on his and that if the Daily Express tried to

that if the Daily Express tried to enforce its legal rights he would close it down.

It was plain that Sogat members employed by the Express were bound under their contracts of employment to handle and distribute copies of the paper as requested by their employers. For Mr Keys to instruct them not to handle any extra copies was a handle any extra copies was a plain inducement to break their contracts of employment. Unless

It had been suggested that the Express was in some way infringing an agreement it had entered into on November 17, 1976 with the Daily Express Publishing Chapel of Sogat, but his Lordship could see no justification for that.

Mr Keys relied on section 13 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act, 1974, as amended, which said that an act done by a person in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute was not actionable. said that an act done by a person in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute was not actionable in tort on the ground only that it induced another person to break a contract or interfered with its performance. It seemed to his Lordship that the only trade dispute was that at the Daily Mirror, a dispute to which neither Sogat nor its members were a party.

Mr Keys had accused the Daily Express of seeking to devour the Daily Mirror market as if there was something reprehensible in what the Daily Express was trying to do. But all it was doing was acting as ordinary commercial people would to satisfy the demand of readers and retail distributors. The consequence of Sogal's action was much injury to the trade and the public Clearly, that action could not be said to be in furtherance of the Daily Mirror dispute. It was something done in consequence of a consequence of a trade dispute and was far too remote to be prayed in aid.

In BBC v Hearn [[1977] 1 W.R. 1004, 1011], it was said that coercive interference with a mar's freedom of trade or a tion was not inself a trade dispute.

'no extra copies' instruction It seemed a plain case for an injunction. However, the judge had thought that the balance of converience was in favour of preserving the carus quo and not allowing the Daily Express to publish

lish extra copies.

If there was no injunction it was quite plain that the Dethibaryers would suffer enormous damages which Mr Keys could not defined. afford to pay. It was difficult to see what damage Mr Keys would

suffer.

On breader grounds, however, the public interest had to be considered: the newspaper business had to be allowed to go forward. An injunction should be granted.

LORD JUSTICE GOFF, agreeing, said that there was no doubt that Mr Keys's action had induced Sogat employees of the Daily Express to break their contracts.

It was said that there was It was said that there was a dispute as to whether the chapel agreement meant that Sogat employees were bound to handle extra copies. That was a very unreal way of presenting it. The only real dispute was between the Daily Mirror and its employees. It was said that Mrong's action was in furtherance.

Employees. It was said that the Mey's action was in furtherance of that dispute because it deprived the Daily Mirror of the argument that if its employees did not return to work it would be driven out of business and there would be no employment for anybody.

That was an interdigut suggestion. That was an ingenious sugges from but it was not what Mr.
Keys had thought he was doing
when he gave his instruction. On
the evidence that way of putting
the defence was not likely to

balance of convenience whether or not the injunction should be granted. The balance of convenience was all in favour of grant-ing the injunction. It was unreal to look at it merely as a matter of damages.

Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce de-livered a concurring judgment.

Solicitors: Lovell, White & Kirg; Robin Thompson & Part-

Oueen's Bench Division .

Wage agreement remains unaltered

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Before Lord Wädgery, Lord Chief
Justice, Mr Justice Park and Mr
Justice May

A national agreement made in
1975 between the Engineering
Employers' Federation and the
Confederation of Shipbuilding and
Engineering Unions that the minimum wage in the industry was
242 could not be altered by tacit
agreement that such an amount was
now nurealistic. Therefore it
remained a "recognized term"
for the purpose of considering
wage claims under the Employment Protection Act, 1975,
Schedule 11.

The Divisional Court granted an
order of certiorari to Deltaflow
Ltd., of Birmingham, to quash a
decision of the Central Arbitration
Comulities that a wage claim by
toolmakers, fitters and electricians,
members of the Transport and
General Workers' Union, should be
considered in the light of the
general level of wages in the industry and not on consideration of
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national agreement.

Paragraph 1 of the schedule provided: "A claim may be reported to the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service, ... that as respects any worker an employer is, in respect of any matter, observing terms and conditions of employment less favourable than the recognized ditions of employment less favourable than the recognized terms and conditions or, where, or so far as, there are no recog-nized terms and conditions, the general level of terms and con-ditions."

ditions."
Paragraph 2 provides that
"(a) he 'recognized terms and
conditions' means terms end conditions of workers in comparable
employment in the trade or
industry . . . which have been
settled by an agreement . . . to
which the parties are employers'

Regima v Central Arbitration Committee, Ex parte Deltaflow Ltd

Sefore Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Park and Mr Justice May

A national agreement made in 1975 between the Engineering Employers' Federation and the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Employers and Conditions have been settled as mentioned in that substitutes and conditions in the industry. The committee that a wage claim by toolmakers, filters and electricians, members of the Transport and General Workers' Union, should be considered in the light of the general level of wages in the industry and not on consideration of the Contral Arbitration Committee.

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agreements.
Schedule 11 of the Employment
Protection Act dealt with the compulsory negotiations of wages and
conditions. conditions.

A formal agreement between the employers and the unions was made in May, 1975, and the minimum wage was fixed at 526, increased in November, 1975, to 42. In 1976 the union complained that Deltaflow were applying terms

£42. In 1976 the union complained that Deltaflow were applying terms and conditions less favourable than those generally found in the industry and the matter was submitted to arbitration. If the minimum wage of £42 applied, the settlement under paragraph 2(a) two widd be less generous than if it was under paragraph 2(b) on consideration of the general level of terms and conditions.

The brief point was whether, when the claim was determined, the employers were employing recognized terms and conditions,

and the general terms and conditions in the industry. The conditions in the industry. The conditions in the industry. The conditions remained effective for other purposes.

In his Lordship's judgment the committee's conclusion that the minimum wage had gone was not temble. Paragraph 1, dealing with "recognized terms and conditions", read with the definition in paragraph 2 made it clear that recognized terms and conditions determined by agreement. The word "agreement" was not included accidentally. It was a word which had a clear menning in law and in a schedule to a statute the language should be given its strict legal meaning. The written agreement of May, 1975, could not be altered except by a new agreement made by competent people whose latitution was to effect change. The idea that there had been a tacit alternation in the terms of the agreement derived from the fact that nobody had bothered with it for some time; it was not a way in which a for.

bothered with it for some time; it was not a way in which a formal agreement could be effectively varied.

Mr Justice Park and Mr Justice May agreed. Solicitors: Barlow, Lvde & Gilbert; Pattinson & Brewer; Treasury Solicitor.

'Charged with the same offence'

same offence. ""
Mr Lawrence Kershen for the appellant; Mr Martin Bluning for the Crown.

LORD JUSTICE ORMROD said that there was a fight between the appellant and another man, Davis, and they were tried on the same

and they were tried on the same indictment, one count alleging against the appellant and assault occasioning ectual bodily harm and another alleging against Davis malicious wounding.

A quarrel started when Davis tried to enter the appellant's shop against his wishes. The appellant used the word "tosh", which provoked Davis, who swing a punch at the appellant, who retaileted with a blow, which sent Davis to the ground.

Two police officers said in

Two police officers said in evidence that they had seen the appellant kicking Davis while he was on the ground, but the appellant said that he was trying to free his leg to which Davis was clinging. When the two had separated, Davis rushed at the appellant and stabbed him with a kuife. Davis's defence of self-defence

failed. He was convicted and sentenced to 12 months' imprison-In relation to the appellant, the prosecution made it clear that they were not relying on the original blow struck by him, but only on the evidence of the police officers that he kicked Davis. He was found not guilty of assault occasioning actual boddy harm but con-

Regina v Rockman

Refore Lord Justice Ornrod, Mr
Justice Thompson and Mr Justice

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Regina v Rockman

victed of common assault. The
recorder made his view of him
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senience. Before Lord Justice Orusrod, Mr Justice Thompson and Mr Justice Thompson and Mr Justice Lupp

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Two defendants each charged with a different offence against the other arising out of the same incident are not charged with "the same offence" so as to enable one to cross-examine Davis when he was in the other as to his character and criminal record under section 1(f) (iii). He wished to cross-examine Davis when he was in the other as to his character and criminal record under section 1(f) (iii) of the Criminal Evidence Act, 1898.

The Court of Appeal, so deciding, dismissed an appeal by Austin Micky Rockman, aged 25, against conviction at Inner London Crown Court (Mr Recorder Bernstein, QC) of common assault. He had been given an absolute discharge.

Section 1(f) provides: "A person charged and called as a witness in pursuance of this Act shall not be required to answer, any question rending to show that he has committed or been comvicted of or been charged with any offence offer than that wherewith he is then charged, or is of bad character, unless—...(ii) he has given evidence against any other person charged with the same offence."

Mr Lawrence Kershen for the appellant: Mr Martin Binning for any interest of the same indictment with possessing the expellant: Mr Martin Binning for the appellant: Mr Martin Binning for the appellant with possessing the expension that the appellant with possessing the appellant: Mr Martin Binning for the appellant with possessing three forget 55 notes and uttering them to another man who was charged on the appellant; the man indictment with possessing the expension that the appellant is the continuous convictions. The recorder refused bavis when he was in the ground that the appellant and Davis men to show that the appellant on the same offence.

From the appeal Mr Kershen took the section 1(f) (iii). He wished to cross-examine Davis when he was in the ground that the appellant and Davis were not charged with "the same offence".

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Mr Kershen relied on Rr George
Russell ([1971] I QB 151). In
that case, the defendant was
charged with possessing three
forged £5 notes and uttering them
to another man who was charged
on the same indiciment with possessing the same notes. The other

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particular employee was on a protected wage.

Section 1(3) of the Act provides that: "An equality clause shall not operate in relation to a variation between the woman's contract and the man's contract if the smulging would be the smulging that the smulging would be the smulging would

cross-examine him under section 1(f)(iii) was refused by the trial judge on the ground that the two men were not charged with "the same offence". On appeal by the defendant, it was held that they had been charged with "the same offence" for the purposes of the section, in that the offences of possession charged were in nature subject-matter and circumstances the same and immediately successive one to the other.

But Mr Binning, for the Crown, said that the essemial feature of the section, if cross-examination was to be allowed, was that the two defendants should be charged in some way or other as together

man having given evidence against the defendant, an application by counsel for the defendant to cross-examine him under section

two defendants should be charged in some way or other as together pursuing the same enterprise. He submitted that the purpose of the section was to discourage two defendants from blaming each other with impunity; and that the section could not apply where the essence of the case was that each defendant was charged with different offences against the other. Their Lordships thought that Mr Binning's submission was right. Accordingly, the recorder's ruling was correct: the section did not apply to the present case. apply to the present case.

The appeal would be dismissed. Solicitors : Registrar of Criminal ppeals : Metropolitan Police

Equality and 'red circle'

The Employment Appeal Tribunal amplified statements made in Snoxell v Vauchall Motors Ltd [1977] ICR 700) on the applicability of section 1(3) of the Equal Pay Act, 1970, in cases where a particular employee was on a protected wage.

salution was desirable where it was intended to introduce or continue such a practice. When determining whether the employer had discharged the onus on him under action 1/22. discharged the onus on him under section 1(3), an industrial tribunal should take into account the length of time elapsed since the protection was introduced and whether the employers had acted in accordance with good industrial practice in their attitude to the continuance of the practice.

contract and the man's contract if the employer proved that the variation was genuinely due to a material difference (other than the difference of sex) between her case and his."

MR JUSTICE PHILLIPS, sitting in the Appeal Tribunal with Ms P. Smith and Mrs M. Sunderland, said that cases arising under section 1(3) could never be solved by rule of thumb or by attaching a label describing it as a "red circle case." It was necessary to look at all the circumstances. The protection of wages, even when done for good reason, gave rise to much misunderstanding which increased as time went on and should be phased out.

Continuance of the practice.

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Prospect of Marxist ministers in West worries Nato chief

Paris, Nov 29

General Forces in Europe, confessed himself worried today at the prospect of "Marxist" ministers in West European governments. Addressing a session of the Western European Union (WEU), he said that there nught be unfortunate conse-quences to the Nato alliance extreme left ministers were in

Their presence, he said, could prevent highly secret information being exchanged. It might also have the effect of relegating the finance of defence to the second rank in priority, which would undermine the military deterrent effect of the Nato alliance. General Haig was particu-larly concerned by the growth of Soviet influence in Africa and the Third World. "Since 1974 the Soviet Union has shipped 50 per cent more than the United States in armaments to the Third World. It is now supplying 20 African states with a commitment of arms.", he said.

There were, he said, changes

arms", he said.

There were, he said, changes in Third World dynamics. There had been great hopes for the emergent Third World in the last decade, but today these countries "almost without exception" had become dictatorial models of the left or right. It was said to see or right. It was sad to see nation states at each other's throats with Soviet arms.

The West had a responsibility for settling the Third World problem, he continued. "Whether or not we engage ourselves in these events we will be increasingly affected by their outcome. Each one of us is affected by the outcome of the Third World events."

General Haig welcomed the reported willingness of the Soviet Union to negotiste on the level of arms sales to the Third World, but he gave a warning that Soviet involvement in the Third World made it essential for Nato to improve its collective capacility respond to crises on its

He was condersed by the "degree of myopia" about the forces deployed in Central Europe. But were the imbalance of forces corrected to-morrow it would not begin to solve the problems of the balance of arms in the Western world.

One third of the Soviet forces today were deployed agains China. If that position were to change it would also change the Nato position. The change of leadership in Paking might lead to such a change.

tary industry in the Soviet Alexander Commander Allied was being conduct to react was being eroded. This meant that the Soviet Union had been able to build up and modernize its forces facing Nato in Europe with a large residue of modern equipment.

"The days are gone when we could exploit the Soviet deficiencies. That is what massive retaliation was all about. We are concerned that the threats involve the politics, economy and industry of the Western powers. Myopia does not begin to solve the prob-lems we face."

General Haig made his speech and expressed his fears about Markist involvement to an Assembly which contained 12 Italian and four French Communist members. When he last spoke to the WEU in 1975 it had no Communist members. The Assembly also had

If it e Assembly also had before it a report on defence drawn up for the first time by a Fench Socialist—and a member of the extreme left socialist group Ceres at that. This report, by M. Raymond Forni, shows the way a Union of the Left government in of the Left government in France might look at the defence question.

West Europe, it says, is well aware that any war, whether fought with conventional or nuclear arms, would bring total ruin. "Therefore, while there may be wide divergences between the defence policies of tries, they draw close together in their recognition of the need for a deterrent. It is no secret that today only nuclear secret that today only nuclear weapons can provide a deter-rent capable of making a possible enemy renounce the use of force."

M Forni says that "internal M. Form says that "internal developments in certain member countries might make their relations with the Aerican partners in the North Atlande Greaty far ore difficult" because the United States would not be prepared

States would not be prepared to accept communists in government. Nevertheless, he says that " aFrench majoryty, whatever it may be, will have to take account of the DeFacto... solidarity between France and is defence links with he Wes.

"Should he fuure European Union come ino being, it will not make its presence felt by breaking new ground," he says in conclusion. "On the convary, it is by pursuing and organizing work which can be started here and now in the framework of existing instituframework of existing institutions that we can lay the foun-dations for tomorrow's

Death of **Turin** editor shot by terrorists

From Peter Nichols

Rome Nov 29 Journalism has suffered its first fatal shock in the Italian terrorist conflict with the death today of Carlo Casalegno, deputy editor of the Turin newspaper La Stampa - who was shot outside his home on November 16.

Apart from the personal tragedy for this highly respected journalist, the murder has gravely disturbing undertones. Responsibility has been claimed by the extreme left terrorist organization known as the Red Brigades.
They have shot other people.

A public prosecutor in Genoa and Fulvio Croce, chairman of the Turin Association of Lawyers, fell victim to their bullets before Casalegno, and severa journalists have been wounded. But in the Genoa murder and the killing of Croce an immediate motive was discernible. Croce was killed three days before the trial was due to open in Turin of arrested leaders of the Red Brigades; and he was supposed to be choosing defendsupposed to be choosing defend-ing coursel which they had al-ready said they would not accept. The killing was inten-ded to place an obstacle in the way of the hearings and was successful in doing so. The wounding of journalists was pre-sumably intended as insimida-tion.

But the murder of Casalegno does not fit into so rational a design. It had no known con-nexion with immediate events. He wrote against terrorism cer-tainly, but so do most commentators. He was much more specific and direct in his style than most and a believer in the view that democracy was still a workable system for Italy,

and the only valid one. This may be why he died. Arguably the terrorists see democracy as the worst enemy of their ambitions and so, logically, its most balanced defenders.
They see the system not only
as satisfying the bourgeoisie but
publicly adopted in principle
now by the Communist Party as a concept of universal value. The fear is that Casalegno's murder may have marked a fun-damental change in the methods of the believers in political vio-lence whether of the right or the left. Italians are recalling the murder by the Fascists in June, 1924, of Giacomo Matteotti, which prepared the way for dictatorship.
Tonight Signor Francesco
Cossiga, the Minister of the
Interior, recommended to Presi-

dent Leone the postbumous award to Casalegno of the Gold Medal for Civil Valour. Obitnary, page 18 premises.

Sixteen named by Herr Brandt to help him find ways to bridge gap with developing countries

Mr Heath in North-South team

From Patricia Clough Bonn, Nov 29

Mr Edward Heath was today named by Herr Willy Brandt, the former West German Chancellor, among 16 world politicians and economists who will serve on his independent commission to seek ways of closing the North-South development

Herr Brandt was asked to set up the commission in September on the basis of a proposal by Mr Robert McNamars, the World Bank president, to study politically acceptable ways of restructuring relations between industrial and developing coun-

The commission, which has a permanent secretariat in Geneva, will hold its first meeting at Schloss Gymnich near Bonn on December 9-11 and produce its report in about 18 months time.

purposely by Herr Brandt to purposely by nerr brandt to give the majority to developing nations. They include Mr Olof Palme, the former Swedish Prime Minister, Mr Eduardo Frei, former President of Chile, M Pierre Mendes-France, former French Prime Minister, Mrs Katharine Graham, pub-lisher of Newsweek and the Washington Post, Mr Sridath Ramphal, the Commonwealth Secretary General, and Mr

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snub court

From Our Correspondent

Two printing union officials on trial here for intimidation during the five-month-long con-

flict at the Berlingske Tidende newspaper are refusing to speak

to the court in their defence

moved the ombudsman has given

Poul Erik Hansen and Louis Schandorph, chairman and deputy chairman of the Berling-ske princing union chapel, com-

plained to the ombudsman after being refused leave to appeal to

the supreme court.

They hold their case is poli-

tical, warrating ried by jury, but this was not supported by the Copenhagen city court by

the appeal court. A megistrare is hearing the case.

his views on their case.

Copenhagen, Nov 29

Its members were picked

Adam Malik, former Indonesian Foreign Minister and once president of the United Nations General Assembly.

Herr Brandt deliberately selected personalities who are not members of present govmore time and energy to their task. ernments so they could devote

The 16 members will be reinforced by "a group of dis-ringuished development politicians and internationally experienced personalities" which, he said, would include Dr Henry Kissinger, former American Secretary of State. The names of other advisers would be discussed at the first meeting, he told a press conference.

Herr Brandt pointed out that the commission has no members from communist countries:
"We are not at a point when things can be meaningfully discussed with them", he said. But experts from comdiscussed with them", he munist countries would be invite I to make contributions and the final report would include

their point of view.

He considered the commission represented a transition between the Pearson Commission which tackled a similar task a decade ago and had no contacts with communist representatives, and the possibility of closer cooperation in future. Econ Herr Brandt said he con- sity.

sidered North-South relations to be the most important social issue for the rest of this cen-

tury.
"I have no unrealistically high expectations", he said, "but I hope that the commissions and sion can present a useful and helpful report in about 18

Commission, will be followed Other members of the committee are: Mr Abdaltif, al-Hamad, director general of the Kuwait Fund for Arab Ecoby a second session at the end of January devoted to the safety and environmental Development; Señor aspects of energy. Rodrico Botero Montoya, former Colombian Finance Minister: For some speakers, the rapid development of nuclear power was essential if even relatively Mr Antoine Kipsa Dakoure, former Planning and Agricul-rure Minister of Upper Volta; low economic growth rates were to be maintained. Others Mr Amir Jamal, former Tanzanian Finance Minister; Mr Laksmi Kant Jha, Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, India; Mr questioned the necessity for over-heavy reliance on nuclear power, with its known dangers, arguing that satisfactory econo-Joe Morris, chairman of the International Labour Organization mic growth could be main-tained by resort to other governing body; Mr Peter Peterson, former United States Secretary of Commerce; Mr energy sources. Opening the debate, Herr

Japanese Ambassador to Can-ada and the United States; and Mr Layachi Yaker, former Algerian Minister of Commerce. Herr Brandt said a seventeenth member, a woman from a developing country, may be appointed later. The commission's executive secretary is Dr Göran Ohlin, Professor of

Ushiba,

former

Economics at Uppsala Univer-

Architects and officials on

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Nov 29

Two managing directors, two architects and five civil ser-vants are on trial in Paris in a case arising out of the death of 16 children and four adults in a school fire.

Edouard - Pailleron School in eastern Paris, built on the British-designed Clasp system, was destroyed in less than an hour in February, 1973, after two children started a fire in a waste paper basket. The trial is to find to what extent those who were respon-sible for building the school were also responsible for the fact that it burnt down so

in 1963 that masy more schools were needed because of the post-war birth "bulge", the Clasp (Consortium of Local Authorities Programme) is hearing the case.

The Berlingske conflict began on January 30 after the management gave warning of staff cur? backs due to an expected £4m loss this year. There were delays in production and printing staff were ordered off the premises. prefabrication system was chosen as a quick and cheap method of construction. Over the next few years 57 schools were built by the method and more than 200 others by a

French safety standards were applied to the building system and the prosecution is seeking to show that these were inadequate. Partitions

the fire started the school col-lapsed like a pack of cards when the fire not so much burnt them as melted them.

checks.

The nine defendants, all senior men in their field, were

Since the fire extensive

trial in school fire case

were inadequate. Partitions made of highly inflammable pressed wood compounds were ed with the result that when

The case centres on how planners are for a building and how much blame is to be attached to the civil servan who approves safety standards and to gas board officials who are responsible for safety

between them responsible for helping to meet the government requirement of a new school a week. The defence case is that they were doing no more that the job they were asked to do

scurity and fire extensive security and fire safety measures have been carried out at all the other Clasp system schools in France.

The Clasp system system was used in the construction of an and negative house which have

old people's home which burnt down in Noctingham with the loss of 18 lives in December 1974. The system has been critical placed the explosives which icized periodically in Britain caused £171,000 worth of dam-

supplies. A strong attack on this approach came from Professor Ignacy Sachs, director of studies at the School of Higher Studies in Social Sciences in Paris. It was a form of black-

cent of which had to be imported. Each percentage point rise in oil prices added \$500m (about £277m) to the

Earlier this year, the European Commission, under Herr Brunner's guidance, came out firmly in favour of pressing ahead with the development of

nuclear fission, and in particular with the controversial fast-breeder, to reduce the

EEC's dependence on outside sources of energy, and to meet

what it sees as a growing shortage of oil and natural gas

Community's import bill.

energy conference even authoritarian. Capital-aJu h

Brussels, Nov 29 Two contrasting views of nu-

of "open discussions" on West

organized by the European

Clash of views at EEC

tensive and ecologically dan-zerous implications, and the development of "soft" sources of energy, such as solar power. clear power emerged here today at the start of three days Professor Sachs argued that annual economic growth rates Europe's energy needs and of 4 per cent could be supplies between now and the achieved without resort to fastturn of the century. The dis-cussions, which are being breeders or vast expansion of current nuclear power pragrammes. This could be done by more efficient use of coal, oil and gas, by locating more energy-greedy heavy industries in developing countries and by increased use of hydro-cle tricity and solar and geotherma

Herr Max Winkler, of the Association for the Protection of Nature in Bavaria, said the idea that growth could con-tinue at the rates of the 1956s and 1960s was absurd. He calculated that to maintain 5 per cent growth over the next 500 years would require the output of more energy per kilo-gramme of terrestrial mass

than is produced by the Sun. Guido Brunner, the EEC The development of nuclear Commissioner responsible for energy, urged the need for public awareness of the issues energy encouraged a continued belief in illusory growth possi-bilities, Herr Winkler added Nuclear plants were 80 per cent more expensive than therinvolved. Energy accounted for 10 per cent of gross national product in EEC countries. More than half of their energy needs were met by oil, 90 per mal power stations, required huge capital investment and took a long time to build. They were inherently inflationist in

character.

From the other side of the fence. Profesor Hans Schneider, of Cologne University, argued that "the speedy development of nuclear energy" was the EEC's best bet. More efficient and rational use of energy could help, but this would not by itself meet the extra energy required to maintain economic growth at a level necessary to maintain European living standards and help developing countries to

raise theirs.
Professor Paul Hatry, of the Free University of Brussels, thought that solar energy might provide a partial solution to the EEC's energy problem. Studies in Social Sciences in Social Sciences in Paris, it was a form of blackmail, he said, to suggest that the choice was between last breeders or energy penury.

The real choice, in his view, was between nuclear power, with its politically centralizing, returns for another 40 years.

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Woman admits placing bomb in Madrid office

From Our Correspondent Madrid, Nov 29

A young married woman has said she set off a powerful bomb at the offices of a Madrid daily newspaper because it had daily newspaper because it has accused her revolutionary organization of being sponsored by the right wing, according to reports published here today. The woman, who was arrested on Friday and subsequently accused of terrorist activities,

admitted at a news conference in the central police head-quarters here yesterday that she

age to the offices and pross room of the newspaper Diario-16 on Tune 26.

Acknowledging that she was a member of Grapo (First of October Antifascist Revolutionary Groups). Señora Elvira Diéguez Silveira de Muños. aged 19, explained: "Diario-16 said that we were managed by the CIA and that we were an extreme right-wing group, and that is not true."

Regarding the aims of Grapo. he said: "We are trying to she said: overthrow Francoism and our arguments are still valid despite

Stockholmi, Nov 29

Dr David Wilson, the director of the British Museum, has announced here that the archaeological treasures of Sutton Hoo would be flown to Sweden in the spring of 1980 to be displayed in the Swedish Museum's boat graves exhibition.

to Sweden will be the famous helmet, shield and sword fittings which are the most characteristically Scandinavian objects found in the Sutton Hoo burial

announced here that the archaeological treasures of Sutton Hoo would be flown to Sweden in the spring of 1980 to be displayed in the Swedish Museum's boar graves exhibition.

He said yesterday that among the numerous items lent ference. He justified the lend-

them to go on to some sort of a rotating circus and end up in Hicksville, Ohio." The Sutton Hon ship burial grave, near Woodbridge, Suffolk, was excavated in 1939. It is generally considered the richest find of its period in

CYCLONE DEVASTATION IN INDIA We need your help

Last night on ITV an appeal was made for immediate aid to the victims of the Indian cyclone which devastated an area of 20,000 square miles.

50,000 have died. 2,000,000 are homeless. Imagine trying to rehouse the combined populations of Birmingham, Edinburgh and Cardiff, all at one time.

£1.7 million worth of crops have been completely ruined. Voluntary relief organisations have been asked to give aid. But unless that aid arrives in the area almost immediately, and in sufficient quantities, many more will die of cholera, typhoid, or starvation.

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influence inquiry told From David Cross

Washington, Nov 29
South Korea planned in spend \$750,000 (about £420,000) in 1976 to inflaence American policy favourably towards it, the House of Representatives

was told today.

Mr Donald Fraser, Demo-cratic chairman of an international relations sub-committee which is investigating allegations of South Korean bribes to Congressmen, said that Seoul intended to use the money to secure the goodwill of members of Congress, journalists, scholars, religious leaders and businessmen. The sub-committee was opening two days of hearings in what has been nicknamed the "Koreagate scandal)".

secret plan obtained by the committee, there was also a note indicating that additional funds would be set aside for

paigns.

The action taken by the Korean Central Intelligence Agency must be recognized for what it is, outright subversion." he added.

The plan disclosed "calculated intent" by the Koreans to use clandestine means to sway American public opinion and policy, he claimed. Critics of

neutralized.
It was also disclosed today that a federal tax court judge bas impounded a 1972 diary belonging to Mr Tongsun Park, a South Korean businessman suspected of channelling Korean

suspected of channelling Korean funds to American Congressmen. The judge is investigating alleged tax debts owed by Mr Park totalling some \$4,500,000.

Mr Parp, who was a rice dealer in Washington, has been officially charged with more than 30 counts of fraud and bribery but has understandably requested to return to America requested to return to America to give evidence before congres-sional investigators.

Carter tour to go on despite energy Bill

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Nov 29
President Carter has decided to go ahead with his foreign tour at the end of next month, whether the energy Bill has passed Congress by then or not. We Thomas O'Oneill, Speaker of the House, said this morning his Mr Carter had made the statement during a breakfast meeting with congressional leaders at the Whit. House.

The President originally intended to leave a week ago, He postponed the trip because of cominuing legislative difficulties over the energy Bill, He said he intended to spend the time lobbying for the Bill, which is making slow progress through a joint committee of the two Houses.

From Our Own Correspondent

the two Houses,
This gesture lost much of its force, however, when Congress went on vacation for 10 days over Thanksgiving (from November 18-28), the very time that Mr. Carrey intended in de-November 18-28], the very time that Mr Carter intended to devite to his lobbying efforts.

The President will leave Washington on December 28, according to Mr O'Neill, He will visit Nigeria, Soudi Arabia, India, Iran, France, Poland and Belgium. The original trip would have started with visits to Venezuela and Brazil. Those two countries got Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State instead.

Commuters stranded

Tokyo, Nov 29.—A strike over bonuses halted Tokyo's bus and underground train services for five hours this morning, leaving up to 700,000 com-

Mob vengeance Belem, Brazil, Nov 29.—A foreman who shot dead a worker for questioning his pay was killed by a mob in Maracana, near here.

South Korea | White House and UN accept invitations to Sadat conference

By Our Foreign Staff

The United States will attend the preparatory Middle East peace talks in Cairo called by President Sadat, it announced in Washington yesterday. The State Department said however, it had not been decided who would go. Mr Vance, the Secretary of State, would not be leading the delegation.

The meeting is at the level of experts and the United States is only the second country to accept the Egyptian leader's invitation. Israel was the first. In New York, Dr Weithelm, the United Nations Secretary-General, named General Ensio Sillastuo, chief coordinator of peace-keeping operations in the Middle East, at United Nations representative to the meeting. He also proposed a further conference, at the United Nations or elsewhere, to be attended by the parties invited to Cairo, including those that have turned down Mr Sedat's invitation.

From Cairo Egypt was waging a diplomatic campaign to try to persuade more countries to attend the talks which sources said could begin as early as next Monday.

The sources said, however, the meeting might be delayed by a few days if Egypt felt there was some chance of including Jordan.

Mr Khaddam, the Syrian

including Jordan.

Mr Khaddam, the Syrian Foreign Minister, who scrived in Moscow on Monday night, had talks yesterday with Mr Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister.

sphere", but gave no indication whether any agreement was reached on how to proceed towards a solution of the Middle East crists.

Mr. Kaddam is the first senior Arab leader to make direct contact with Moscow since President Sadat's visit to

Syria has joined other radical Arab states in strong condemnation of Mr Sadar's journey and has rejected the Egyptian leader's invitation to

has also obliquely condemned Mr Sadat and ignored his proposed to send representatives to Coiro, it has also indicated concern that Arab criticism of him may help harden feelings against a Geneva conference in

general,

As the Libyans announced in rTipoli yesterday their summit would open as planned, Iraq dispatched envoys carrying invitations to another such gathering to three of the parties who have eleendy agreed to go to the Libyan teliss.

Iran less night had added to In go to the Lanyan talks.

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Informed sources in Beirut said yesterday that diplomatic pressure was being exerted on the Boghadad leadership to Focus placed on English-speaking minority

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Vorster call for white unity faces test at today's election

From Nicholas Ashford Johannesburg, Nov 29 White South Africans go to

the polls tomorrow for what is expected to be the last general election under the country's present Westminster-style

present Westminster-style parliamentary system.

The outcome is not in doubt. An eve of election opinion poll estimated committed support for the ruling National Party at 64. Sper cent compared with 7 per cent for the Progressive Federal Party (PFP) which is expected to emerge as the expected to emerge as the main opposition party. The Nationalists are confident they will win more seats then the 116 held in the last parliament. Predictable though the result is, the election is nevertheless in the seat of the seat significant. Pirst, it will indicate to what extent the white population, paricularly the English-speaking minority, has heeded the Government's calls to unite in the face of growing

external pressures.
Opinion polls have indicated a substantial swing towards the Nationalists but the movement Nationalists but the movement may not prove as great as the party had hoped.

Second, the election will decide the future of opposition politics in the country. The emergence of the Progressives as the main opposition could lead to the virtual elimination of the centre parties and the polarization of white politics.

Only 119 of the Assembly's 165 seats are being contested.

165 seats are being contested. Nationalists are being returned unopposed in 43 seats and Pro-gressives in two seats. The

election in the Springs constimency has been postponed already holds. Support comes
after the murder last week of mainly from the wealthy
the National Party candidate, suburbs of Johannesburg and Dr Robert Smit.

Dr Robert Smr.

Five parties are taking part
in tomorrow's election which
will also choose members to sit
in the four provincial assemb-

The National Party is near-ing the end of its third decade as the Government of South Africa. It stands for separation Africa, it stands for separation between the various racial groups, akthough Coloureds and Indians will be offired a degree of political participation under the new constitutional plan. The "strong man" image projected by its leader, Mr Vorser, is expected o pun a number of voers who men not otherwise support it.

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The New Republic Parry, the rump of the former United Party, held 23 seats at the time the election was called but is expected to shed some to both the Nationalists and the Progressive Federal Party. Mr Radclyffe Cadman, party leader, believes they will retain the support of most former United Party voters, but observers think that even he may lose his Musgrave conhe may lose his Musgrave con-stituency. Their answer to the country's race problem is a

The Progressive Federal
Party, a coalition between the
former Progressive Party, a coalition between former Progressive and Reform Parties who were joined earlier this year by six "left-wing" members of the hones to add

Cape Town.

The party favours an all-race
Turohalle-type constitutional
conference to discuss the
future. Its leader, Mr Colin
Eglin, faces a tough three-way
context in his Seapoint consti-The South African Party,

consisting of a right-wing spinter group which left the United Party at the beginning of last year, held six seats in the last Parliamen t and is expected to lose most of them. Its policies differ only margin-ally from the National Party Two seats were vacant at the time the election was called. There will be six fewer sears in the new Parliament than previously. This is because South-West Africa (Namibia), which is due to become independent next year is no longer pendent next year, is no longer returning members to the South African Parliament. All six South-West African seats were held by the National

There are more than 2,200,000 whites eligible to vote but political analysts believe that up to one million them may not do so. This is party bedause many regard the election as a foregone con-clusion, but als o because up to 30 per cent of voters have moved since the last general registration before the 1974 election. More than half of

Tempers get frayed at Biko inquest

Twelve days of hearing evid-

ence and conducting lengthy cross-examinations is beginning to take its toll on the legal rams at the inquest into the death of Stetve Kiko, the South Atrican Black Consciousness eader.
Nerves and tempers are bet-

coming frayed and the cross-examination of witnesses has The proceedings have got bog-ged down in a mass of medical detail as counsel representing the police and the doctors involved in the case go to great lengths to try and discredit the evidence of the expert medical In a rare show or irascibility

Mr Martinus Prins, the presid-ing magistrare, told counsel representing the doctors, Mr B. Pickard, to "get down to brass racks" He complained that Mr Pickard's cross-examination of Dr John Gluckmen, the pathologist retained by the Bika family, was poing round in circles.

Earlier, questioned by Mr
P. R. van Rooyen, counsel for the police, Dr Gluckman admitted that he had had "second, third and fourth thoughts"

From Our Own Correspondent after signing the post-mortem report which showed that Mr Twelve days of hearing evid-Biko had suffered brain injury of the contra-coup type, with

absence of coup lesions. He said that although he was certain about the report's main findings he was uncertain whether there were coup in-

signatories of the post-morten report. The others were Professor Johan Loubser, the state pathologist, and Professor I. W. impson from Pretoria Univer

sity.

Professor Simpson told the court he believed there had been only one application of force to Mr Biko's head, resultng in a contra-coup injury. , Mr Prins ruled this afternoon

that Brigadiner C. F. Zietsman chief of the Security Police, and testify as had been requested by Mr Sydney Kentridge, counsel for the Biko family.

Mr Kentridige had wanted to

Ethiopians 'control Harer

Marer, the key town in the Ogaden region, according to the Ethiopian Embassy in London. Press reports that the Somalie

bassy said yesterday. Somali troops had never set foot in the city and were now being driven off beyond the town of Babile, 30 miles away. The embassy also denied that Cuban troops were fighting for

Nominee for FBI chief withdraws

From Our Own

Correspondent
Washington Nov 29
Mr Frank Johnson, a federal
judge in Alabama, has withdrawn as nominee for the
directorship of the Federal
Bureau of Investigation, for

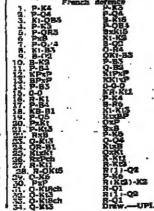
the post by President Carter last summer, he had a routine check up. The doctors disco-vered that he had a dangerous condition—a ballooned condition—a ballooned artery—that required an immediste operation. His recovery has been slower than he hoped

nomination.
The Attorney-General will now have to submit other names to the President for the

Korchnoi keeps chess lead over Spassky

Belgrade, Nov 28.—With two wins and two draws Korchnoi now leads 3—1 chess match against Spassky to find a chellenger p Anatoly Karpov,

Spassky forced a draw by repetition of moves in the fourth game last night after Korchnol had earlier sacrificed a piece. These were the moves of the game: Spessky white. Korchnel black French defence



UN turns its attention to visitors from outer space

Continued from page 1

To help the process along, he quoted large chunks of the speeches. Then he quoted from speeches on the same subject made in 1971 by the representrive of a nation whose identity we might have guessed: Uganda. (What is it about UFOs that makes them attractive to rulers with a dictatorial bent?)

All these quotations made the going heavy. Before Mr Friday was 10 minutes into his speech I noticed one representative nodding off. Twenty minutes later he had recovered, but many others were succumbing.

Mr Friday insisted several times, defensively I thought, that UFO's were no laughing matter. Mr Gairy had seen one and so, he claimed, had President Carter. Yet previous efforts—which he documented in detail—by the Interconting. in detail-by the Intercontinenal UFO Galactic Spacecraft Research and Analytical Network to have the United Vations take an interest in the

ubject had been thwarted. "Earth may not be the only place inhabited by intelligent beings", he pointed out, and some delegates' smiles indicated that they were beginning to odubt a main premise of that observation. What was importint, he continued, was to regulate contact between men from Earth and men from outer space, and the United Nations was the appropriate body for taking on that responsibility.

Papua New Guinea were gig-gling over some photographs in the paperback book they had

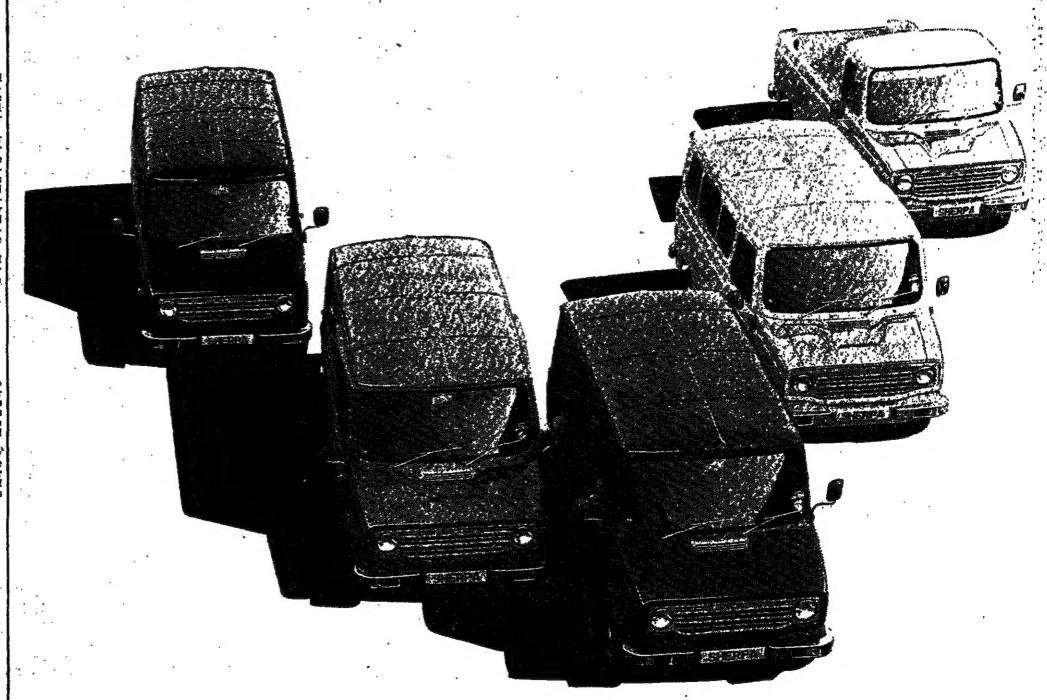
Mr Friday, who had already been talking for over an hous, was goinging into ever more starming details of accusal encounters with beings from alien worlds. They had, he said, been neither particularly friendly nor particularly hostile, but they had abducted a few earthlings, probably for the purposes of research.

The trouble was that "an amorphous veil of secrecy" had been placed over reports of these worrying events. That was what the United Nations had to After an hour and a half he

sat down. The Barbados dele eate, clearly impressed, moved that verbatim copies of the statement by Mr Friday and Mr Gairy be supplied to delegates. The chairman agreed to the extra expense and added that,

a delegates would need time to digest the information provided, discussio non the sub ject would be put off until Wednesday. Today the committee is reverting to an earlier unfinished debate about Israeli practices in the occupied terri

This inspired one delegate, efficting concern at a possible shift in the world body's balance of power, to make a sort of joke as he left the chamber. "What happens," he said, rubbits his area in wanderment. bing his eyes in wonderment, "if the men from space turn By now the representative of "if the men from Panama and his neighbour from out to be Jewish?



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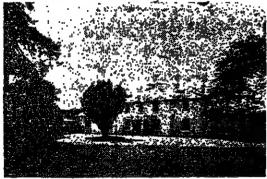
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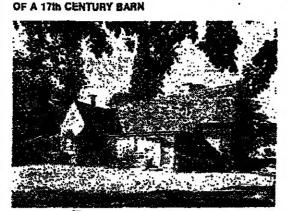
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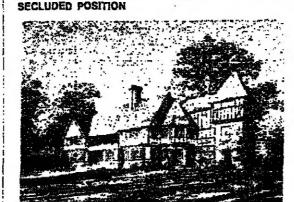


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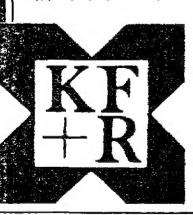
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Pathan leader accuses Mr Bhutto of treason during first public appearance after years in prison

Mr Abdul wali Khao, Pakistan's best know political prisoner, had his hour of crowded life here in the Sind High Court today when he appeared for the first time after almost three years behind hars before a regular court of

As grim-faced Pathans from North-West Frontier Proinvce, whose redoubtable "chief" he still is, packed every inch of the courtroom and showered oim with rose petals, Mr Khan, a feonine figure in his sixties with silver locks, turned the tables on Mr Bhutto, the former Prime Minister, attacking him for playing an alie-gedly treasonous role in the break-up of Pakistan in the 1971 war, from which Bangla-

Bhutto, who is now in Jail, put the then of the opposition in prison in February, 1975, and he has been there ever succ. Mr Khan and his National Awami Party, after banning, were accused of seeking the break-up of Pakistan through

A special tribunal was established in Hydersbad before which Mr Khan and 54 others were arraigned. The case still drags on, despite Mr Bhutto's fall from power after the mili-tary takeover on July 5. "I know that whole inside

story," Mr Khan said in court today, referring to Mr Bhutto's alleged role behind the scenes

Yahya Khan, and Shaikh Central Jail. He has spent a Mujib. To rule, he had to split great part of his adult life as a the country. I know Bhusto political prisoner. Was responsible, for otherwise During a recess, while a he would have had to come to well-known Urdu poet grabbed an understanding with Chaikh a microphone to serenade Mr.

an understanding with Shaikh Mujib or go into opposition." He alleged that Mr Bhutto

had subscuently offered him had subscuently offered him high posts, including the presidency, to buy him off.

Mr Khan ridiculed the procedures of the Hyswrabad tribunal; after 19 months it had still heard only 23 out of the 426 witnesses listed at 12 would 426 witnesses listed. "It would take another 200 to 250 years at that rate to get brough our cases,"—he declared, accusing he special judges of being in league with the Government in Islamabad in adopting dilatory

tactics.

Mr Justice Agha Ali Hyder,
Sind's acting Chief Justice,
adjourned today's hearing until December 18 after Mr Shari-fuddin Pirzada, attorney gen-eral in the interim Govern-ment of General Zia, had rejected Mr Khan's submission that various orders by the tribimal against the accused were

The High Court will also consider a second penicion moved today by the accused which challenges the legality of the Hyderbad mibunal and its procedures which, they con-tend allow the state to be tend, allow the state to

in East Pakistan's breakaway not a trial at all", Mr Knam aftr Shaikh Mujibur Rahman told the High Court, referring had seen the national elections. to the special tribunal's hearings conducted in Hyderabad

During a recess, while a well-known Urdu poet grabbed a microphone, to serenade Mr Khan with verses, I asked him whether he expected to take part in the general election that Pakistan's chief martial law administrator promises for time next year. "I can't he replied. "There is still the ordinance passed just before Mr Bhutto dissolved the National Assembly for the March general election which bans me for five years."

Leaders of the National Alliance are to meer General

normal courts. They speak of a promise given them on which General Zia appears to be going slow. But since Mr Bhotto has not been put on trial before a special tribunal, the road would seem open.

There is, however, aslo the Shah of Iran, whose Tovernment has come prografully. ment has come powerfully Pakistan's financial aid. In

recent interview, the Sheh in-dicated that he strongly opposes those who think like the North-West Prontier Pro vince leaders or those in neighbouring Beluchistan. By lunchtime, having said goodbye to the Begum, Mr Khan was back in jail.



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which is threatened with extinction. The male alone incubates the eggs, and it is the first known occasion on which a captive Darwin's Rheas, a rare species of flightless the first known occasion on which a captive bird from the pampas of South America male has completed the harching process.

Australian dockers shout abuse at refugees

From Cur Correspondent Melvourne, Nov. 29 As 180 Vicinamese refugees

arrived in Darwin today, on board a hijacked trawler, two givernment ministers urged that their arrival should not be allowed to develop into an election issue.

Mr Andrew Peacock, Minis-

ter of Foreign Affairs, and Mr Michael MacKellar, the Immigration Minister, declared: The basic question of human suffering involved transcends partisan advantage in an elec-tion context. In terms of recent history Australia has particular responsibility to these people."

The joint statement said

Australia's status in South-East
Asia would be seriously
damaged if the Cietnamese
were made into an election

being given to the surveillance needed to prevent unauth-

orised entry and to maintain quarantine standards. "But this Government will not make examples" of boat refugees by indiscrinately turning some of them back.

our controls are designed to prevent entry of people falposing as refugees. But we not risk taking action against genuine refugees just to get a message across. This could be an utterly inhuman course of action."

When the Vietnames arrived in Darwin, local dock workers immediately stopped work in protest. They shouted

work in protest. They shouted insults at the refugees, Mr Douglas Anthony, the Deputy Prime Minister, said today that only gentrine refugees would be allowed to stay in Australia, not Vietnamese merely wishing to emigrate. Today's boat was the ninth to arrive in Darwin in the past five days.

Bernard Levin, page 16

Mr Whitlam predicts Labour poll victory Sydney, Nov 29.-Mr Gough

the Australian leader, whose Opposition Labour Party suffered a crushing election defeat two years ago, today predicted that it would win next month's general election comfortably. Buoyed by opinion polls which have put Labour shead of Mr Freser's ruling coalition, he spoke confidently of achieving a remarkable comeback

two years after being dismissed from office. He admitted that he had made mistakes during his three years as Prime Minister from 1972 to 1975 bpt vowed: "We'll be better next time".

Midway through the threeweek election campaign today, all polls and almost every political commentator continued to forecast a narrow Labour victory in the December 10 election.—Reuter.

Christian Democrats speak out in Chile

Santiago, Nov 29. There are signs of a break in the silence that has been imposed by the military junta 2,000 people shouted political on all political activity in slogans such as "Chile is and Chile. Several recent incidents will remain a country of freeare being taken to mean that, dom". Inside the church five after four years of President university students fasted in Pinochet's rule people are los- solidarity with Senor Castillo ing their fear and expressing for four days. their discontent.

One of these was a strike this month at the El Teniente copper mine, the first since the military takeover. The government censored the word and described it as Work absenteeism".

Some workers were dimissed and politicians were accused of instigating the first serious conflict between the Government and the mue workers, who generate a sub-stantial part of the country's foreign currency earnings.
Another incident was

demonstration outside the Foreign Ministry of Foreign Affairs on November 16 when Mr George Landau, the newly-appointed American Ambassador, was presenting his letters of credence. Nearly 100 people, mostly women who were either wives or relatives of missing people, carried signs with photographs of those who had disappeared. Others called for the liberation of

The Government has declared that there are no political prisoners in Chile and that no one is missing. It maintains that the people supposedly missing have gone into biding, have died abroad or have a double set of identity docu-

tions to the four-day hunger strike in Venezuela earlier this month by Senor Jaime Castillo Velasco, formerly vice-president of the Christian Democratic Party in Chile and Minister of Justice under President Frei.

Mass otuside the San Francisco Church in Santiago on the third day of his fast, nearly

On November 25 the Govern ment banned the publication of all news about the arrest of seven union leaders and their exile to the north of the

country. Senor Castillo, a lawyer, with was expelled from Chile in August, 1976, showed with his hungr strike that he will not give up in his efforts to return to Chile in spite of the failure of two appeals channelled through the Chilean Judicial

Senor Castillo was put on aircraft together with Smor Eugenio Velasco, another lawyer, after they had sent a let-American States, reporting on violations of human rights, at the time when the OAS was in session in Santiago

Christian Democratic leaders have told me that recent events in Chile have been " a stand up for their rights as citizens, to support the efforts aimed at restoring democrac and to strive to have all Ch leans reconciled ".

A document entitled "A Country for All", signed by the Christian Democratic Party and issued as a message to all Chileans, states the pressing need to introduce changes need to introduce changes

the military Government and a speedy restoration of democracy which, according to the document, was not only the desire of those who were on the militant left but also of

Amazon water sharing plan

Rio de Janeiro, Nov 29.-Eight South American nations led by Brazil have begun talks aimed at reaching an agreement for the joint development of the Amazon river basin through a treaty that would permit the harnessing of its

The The proposed treaty has been discussed quietly for nearly a year by the foreign ministries of the eight countries, whose territories border the Amazon region. But suspicion over the motives of Brazil which first proposed the idea delayed the street of case.

Besides Brazil, the countries arrending the conference are Bolivia, Colombia, Eculador, Guyana, Peru, Surinam and Venezuela. The draft treaty under dis

cussion proposes to allow the development of water resources development of water resources in the Amazon system by any nation as long as no harm occurs in a neighbouring nation into which any of the Amazon basin rivers flow.

It further proposes to protect the ecology of the Amazon, to exempt from paxes products in horder resions and to proin border regions and to pro-mote the global integration of the area.—New York Times

Canadian public rallies to support of the Mounties

Ottawa, Nov 29
The security branch of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is being placed under

The announcement of the stiffened controls, which was made by Mr Francis Fox, the Solicitor-General, last week, helped to defuse an issue that dominating the Commons for weeks. During that time the Govern- the ment was under constant criticlear.

cal questioning by opposition MPs who contended that the security branch had got out of control. New disclosures about over-zealous police work came simost daily, in the House or in the press. The Mounties were accused of burglary, urson, and tampering with the among other transgres-

The public, however, refused to get worked up against the Mounties. The attitude seemed to be that, if the police must bend he haw to protect the security of the state, they should be given the benefit of

The Government, led by Mr Trudeau, played on the abiding bordering in which affection, majority obviously Canadions still held the

Mounties.
Referring to the arrest and deportation of a Japanese Red Army terrorist, which was made possible by a mail interception, the Prime Minister told a press conference: "When you catch a terrorist because you have opened an envelope, I do not opened an envelope. I do not think the bulk of the Canadian

if it was technically a crime, it would be something that should bring the RCMP people

Canadian Mounted to jail."
being placed under Opposition MPs became wordighter control in response to ried about a popular backlash recent disclosures that it against their relentless camexceeded the limits of the law paign to expose wrong-doing in a wriey of operations.

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They started going out of their
way to make clear in asking
critical questions of the
Liberal Government, that they were not attacking the police force but the Government itself. Whether the Canadian public understood or accepted the distinction still is not

Mr Fox's announcement therefore had the unintended side-effect of helping to get the Opposition, especially Conservatives, off a book. Alreedy the debate, or what is left of it, has shifted to the Commons tustice committee: justice committee: a sure sign that the steam has gone out of the controversy.

Mr Fox said three immediate stens would be taken "to address problems of the past witch have recently been disclosed and to ensure appro-priate control in the future. All new operational policy of the security service would be committee consisting of Mr R.

H. Simmonds, the RCMP Commissioner, the deputy commissioners, and the director-general of the security service. An existing existing assesses committee which operational projects would be strengthened by the

addition of two members. An operational sudit milt was being formed, he said, "with authority to examine all security service operations on on ongoing basis. It would report to the Commissioner, who would provide regular audit reports to the Solicitor

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India turns down Pakistan offer of disaster relief

From Our Correspondent Delhi, Nov 29 India has declined the assistance offered by Pakistan and Bangladeah for the Andhra Pradesh cyclone victims. Paki-stan had told Delhi it was willing to offer anything it needed and Bangladesh offered

the services of 150 doctors.

The Ministry of External Affairs has established a special unit to coordinate all offers of foreign assistance. Missions abroad have been informed that India does not want foreign assistance, but would accept "routine offers".

Delhi, Nov 29.—Mr Chandra

ekhar, president of the ruling Janata Party, says he is not satisfied with the pace of relief work, it was reported here
He accused the state government of trying to minimize the
gravity of the situation.—
Rauter.

Teng protégé given key

Mr Chao Tsang-pi, although his appointment, made several appointment, made several months ago, has not yet been continued, Chinese

sources said.

The public security portfolio, which includes fides on virtually everyone in China, had been held officially since January, 1975, by Chairman Hua Kuo-feng.

Chao was from the province of Szechwan and was believed to be close to Mr Teng Histoping, the Deputy Prime Minister, who is also from Szechwan. They said his appointment

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last August.

Meanwhile, the New China news agency today carried a lengthy article from the People's Daily, accusing the purged "gang of four" of having "ried to use public security departments as a tool to exercise fascist dictatorship over leading cadres (officials) of the party, Government and Army "Reuter.

Peronists appeal

speedier justice From Our Correspondent Buenos Aires, Nov 29

Seven prominent Peronists have appealed to Argentina's

to junta for

the centre of power.

Little information was available about Mr Chao, who was elected a full member of the Communist Party's Central

public security portfolio

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military junta to speed up legal proceedings against people arrested since the military coup and to free those not considered threats to state security. They also urged the Government not to indulge in political persecution under the guise of criminal

proceedings. The seven Peronists form a right wing and centre. They range from Senor Manuel de Anchorena, the wing former Ambassador to Britain, to Senor Angel Robledo and Senor Italo Luder, relatively centrist politicians who held high posts under the Peronist

Government. Their appeal, handed in last week, was the first Peronist document addressed to the junta to have become public knowledge stuce the coup in

March last year.

It said: "While economic oppressions bring anguish and uncertainty to vast sections of the population, and juridical insecurity causes equal anguish, it will be very difficult to create conditions which will generate peace." it said.

Harrier crashes

Washington, Nov British-built United States Marine Corps Harrier fighter crashed today, the twenty-seventh of the "jump jets" to do so since their purchase seven years ago. The pilot escaped with bruises.

Moroccan pardon Rabat, Nov 29 .- The Moroc-

can Government has pardoned 38 political prisoners, some of whom had been jailed for plotting to overthrow the monarchy and instal a Marxist regime, the Justice Ministry said today.

It's an awesome responsibility. In the Jamuna River area 3,000 pairs of eyes look up to us every day for enough food to keep them alive. Like Ali, they are the residual victims of the 1975 flood disaster, which started the famine and disease in Bangladesh.

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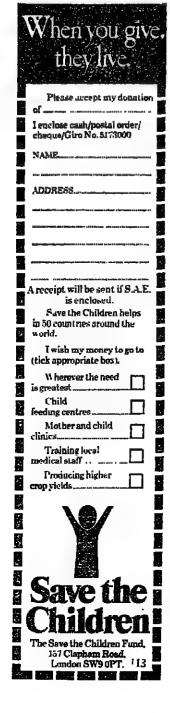
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of every £1 you donate goes directly to the children in need. That's a high figure for a very worthy cause.

We need you to save more lives. Look into your heart and give what you can now, or remember us in



Search for a method by which Government can underwrite long-term formula for firemen

PARLIAMENT, November 29, 1977.

Mr Callaghan, the Prime Minister, sald he had indicated to the Fire Brigades Union this morning that he would try to see if the Govern-ment could underwrite a long-term agreement or formula if one were made. But the Government could not depart from the 10 per cent guidelines.

Mr William Molloy (Ealing, North, Lab) had asked the Prime Minister to discuss with the CBI and TUC the effect on wage negotiations and price stabilization of the considerable improvement in the economy—(Conservative laughter) —which was bound to cause irri-tation to the Conservative Party in their anti-British campaign. Mr Callaghan (Cardiff, South-East, Lab - I constantly point out to trade union conferences and in my meetings with trade unions what is happening with inflation. The de-crease in the rate is of profound significance in preserving our competitiveness, in preserving Jobs and raising the standard of life. That, combined with the tax

reductions now working through, rogether with the prospects for real growth next year, which are significantly better than for some years, should lead to moderation in wage claims and wage settlements. ments.
Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition (Barnet, Finchley, C)—When can we have a statement about the unprecedented losses of the British Steel Corporation, reported to amount to 5500m a year?

year?
Mr Callaghan—I answered questions on that last week. But the
Government and the Secretary of Government and the Secretary of State for Industry (Mr Eric Varley) have started discussions on these matters. When they are concluded, a report will be made to the House.

Impact on

education

settlement

Under the rate support grant settlement, there would be 11,300 more teaching posts than there would have been if the grant had not been altered, Mrs Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said during constitute.

Mr Michael Ward (Peterborough, Lab) had asked her to say some thing about the general effect of the rate support grant on teacher employment across the country.

Mrs Williams—If teacher numbers

Mrs Williams—If teacher numbers were to follow the school population, which will fall by more than 100,000 between 1977-78 and 1978-79, there would be a reduction overall of 3,700 teaching posts.

What we have done is to make provision for an additional 1,800 teachers in doprived areas, an additional 1,800 teachers to allow the induction year to start, an additional 1,700 teachers to allow in-service running, and an additional 5,800 to allow an operating margin in the light of falling tembers.

Sir David Renton (Huntingdon-

margin in the light of falling humbers.

Sir David Renion (Huntingdonshire, C) asked if Mrs Williams was aware that the Cambridgeshire education suthority had had to make cuts in its educational services because of lack of rate support grant.

He asked what steps ahe proposed to take to help the authority to ovarcome this problem in the current financial year, and to give an undertaking that adequate funds would be made available for improving educational services in the coming financial year.

Mrs Williams—The rate support

the coming financial year.

Mrs Williams—The rate support grant settlement for 1978-79 offers some measure of protection to local authorities like Cambridge-sizes, who lost gran in 1977-78. I understand that the authorities' share of the grant next year are differing only fractionally from the 1977-78 share in details of settlement.

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Sir D. Renton—The situation in Cambridgeshire is most unsatisfactory. In the coming financial year, following severe costs and rate increases in this financial year, further cuts will have to be made in the educational service in spite of a 20 per cent increase in rates, is she satisfied with that kind of educational provision in Cambridgeshire?

Mrs Williams—I am not satisfied. Cambridgeshire made proposals for a cut in the educational budget of £1,750,000 in the coming year before they knew the result of the rate support grant settlement.

My understanding is that their decisions were provisional and since the difference is at most fractional, it is up to the authority now to reconsider what were drastic proposals.

Mr Clement Freud (Isle of Ely.

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Mr Clement Freud (Isle of Ely,
L)—In view of the powers of the
Secretary of State for Environment
(Mr Shore) in distributing the rate
support grant, does she feel her
department has sufficient powers
to ensure adequate educational
standards for the children of
Cambridgeshire?

Mrs Williams—One of the matters
I am most concerned about is the
absence of any specific powers to
make certain that rate support
grant is spent for education, when

make certain that rate support grant is spent for education, when it is allocated for education. This means that everything I say to the House about the rate support grant settlement depends on whether local authorities spend the money made available for that purpose.

Mr David Atkinson, who retained

Bournemouth, East, for the Conservatives in the by-election last Thursday, took his seat.

The General Symod of the Church of England was totally remote from the grass roots of church-goers, Lord Denham (C) said in a

debate on the Dioceses Measure.

The Bishop of London, moving that the House should direct that

the Measure be presented to the Queen for Royal Assent, said it was the outcome of a groundswell of conviction within the Church

that there must be machinery for reordering the structure of dio-ceses and the work of bishops so that barriers to postoral care could

be removed.

The measure was also designed

to relieve Parliament of the neces-sity of having to spend time on the minutiae of ecclesiastical adminis-

Under the Measure, with consi-

detable safeguards, the creation of new dioceses and the alteration of diocesan boundaries would be car-

ried out as a function of the Gen-eral Synod through the newly established Dioceses Commission.

of grant

assurance that it is not part of his strategy to use the revenues from North Sea of tu keep going wealth-consuming jobs rather than to allow the revenues to be used to generate wealth-creating jobs? Mr Callaghan—As a general proposition that is unacceptable, but I take it she is not suggesting that because of the world recession we should allow the British steel in-

dustry to collapse. Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, L)—in future meet-ings with the TUC and CBI will he continue to stress the importance of the 10 per cent guidelines? Did he maintain that in his meeting with the Fire Brigades Union this morning? If so, what sort of response did he get?

Mr Callaghan-I do not wish to go into detail of my discussions with that union this morning. I have set out fully my view there and I think understand the position the Government are in. The firemen have a substantial case for determining a long-term formula which will fix their posi-

tion.
I have indicated this to them and I have indicated this to them and I have tried to indicate to them that I would try to see if we could underwrite such a long-term agreement if it were made, in some way.

But it is not possible for the Government, in view of present circumstances, to depart from the 10 per cent guidelines.

We are not fighting the firemen, I am fighting for the overall objective of keeping down inflation and keeping jobs up.

taken to underwrite the findings of

Mr Cailaghan-No undertakings have been given on either account and I prefer not to be pressed on that matter when negotiations are

Mr James Prior, chief Opposition Mr James Prior, chief Opposition spokesman on employment (Lowestoft, C)—When he next meets Jack Jones and the TUC, is he going to tell Mr Jones and the Transport and General Workers' Union what sanctions he (Mr Callaghan) thinks the Government should apply to them for giving themselves more than a 10 per cent increase?

Mr Callaghan—I acquained with what he is refer-ring to. If he puts down a question to the Secretary of State for Employment (Mr Albert Booth) he will get an adequate reply. Mr Nicholas Fairbairn (Kinross

Mr Nicholas Fairbairn (Nimoss and West Perthshire. C)—Does he recall that in the counter-inflation statement he made on July 20, in which we were to enter into a consensus society under his Government, I asked him what would happen if one party did not consent? Would his Government confront or surrender? He said: "Neither." Did be mean both?

Mr Cailaghan—No, As usual, I meant what I said, and we are not But it is not possible for the Government, in view of present circumstances, to depart from the 10 per cent guidelines.

We are not fighting the firemen, I am fighting for the overall objective of keeping down inflation and keeping jobs up.

Mrs Barbara Castle (Blackburn, Lab)—Will he guarantee that the Government will underwrite the firemen's case, but on the other hand an understanding that in a structured wage system such as we have, that what is given to one goes through the whole system. That cannot be permitted.

Councils taking up fewer private school places

was not compatible with good com-prehensive education, Mrs Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said at question time.

for Anthony Durant (Reading, North, C) had asked her for a statement on her policy in relation to the placement by local education authorities of children in schools in the private sector of

education.

Mrs Williams (Hertford and Stevenage, Lab).—The Government are committed to reducing local education authority take up of places of non-maintunined schools to the maintum required in the light of the criteria set out in my department's circular 6/77 and 1 expect a substantial drop in the number of places over the next few years.

few years. In 1976-77 under 5,000 new places were taken up by English authorities under standing arrangements for non-maintained schools About 2,200 of those are at independent schools and the rest are direct grant schools. The figures did not include handicapped pupils or arrangements in respect of other pupils on an individual basis. I regret that figures are not available for earlier years.

years.
Mr Durant—The Cuts in the rate support grant, particularly in areas like Berichire, are making it increasingly difficult; together with her tough attitude on this for local education authorities to provide the parental choice for single-sex schools and denominational schools that they would wish. Mrs Williams We have made it clear in our circular first the only grounds on which local authorities should take places in independent schools is if there is an absolute shortage in the denominational system.

system.
It is not part of our policy to make these places simply available for academic purposes. for academic purposes.

Miss Joan Lester (Eton and Slough, Lab)—How many such places have been approved for the year 1978-79 and is she pursuing discussions with the Chancellor regarding the wasting of public money relating to the charitable status of independent schools?

Mrs Williams—On the first point we have only got a short way in getting returns because the period has not yet lapsed. It is clear there will be an overall reduction of at least 25 per cent in the current year in those places, and that includes those who start and therefore carry on to the end of the period, which is normally accepted by local authorities. by local authorities.

On the second point, this matter goes wider and studies and investi-gations are being made. Mr Norman St John-Stevas, chief Opposition spokesman on education (Chelmsford, C)—The effect of her policy is to deprive parents of modest means of educational opportunity. (Labour protests and Conservative cheers.)

Is she not encouraging parental choice in theory but denying it in practice? Is that what she intends, or is it that her right hand does not know what her left hand is

doing?
Miss Williams—The Secretary of
State's left hand and right hand
work harmoniously together. It is
clear that a system which enables
parents to choose the independent
system with authorities paying for
it is a system which will wreck the
effort to get higher standards in
the maintained system.
Within the maintained system,
we believe that many parental
wishes can be mat. The first
priority is the attainment of high
standards in the maintained system.

Mr St John-Steves—How can she support her statement that the use of the private education system would wreck the maintained syswould wreck me manuared sys-tem when the foundation of the system, the 1944 Act, envisages the use of the private sector because the local authorities have to see that schools are available and not

Mrs Williams He appears to forget that since the 1944 Act there has been the 1976 Act, which gave nas been the 1976 Act, which gave me powers, among other things, to restrict places in independent schools. The House is committed by its own yote to comprehensive education and creaming off a substantial section of the pupils to independent schools is not compatible with good comprehensive education.

Amnesty for pre-1973 illegal immigrants

Mr Ivor Clemitson (Luton, East, Lab) asked the Home Secretary what action he was taking with what action he was taking white regard to Commonwealth citizens and citizens of Pakistan who gained entry to the United Kingdom before 1973 by employing deception and whom the courts have declared to be illegal lumi-

grants.
Mr Merlyn Rees, said in a written reply: On April 11, 1974, my predecessor informed the House that he would not exercise powers, conferred on the Home Secretary under the Immigration Act, 1971, to remove a limited class of Commonwealth citizens and citizens of Pakistan—that is, only those who entered this country in breach of the immigration laws before January 1, 1973—because the provision of the Act putting them in jeopardy was retrospeclu jeopardy was retrospe

At that time and until recently, it was generally thought that the administrative power to remove an illegal entrant was confined to those who avoided going through the immigration control. Recent court judgments have declared that illegal entrants also include those who grand admission through the who gained admission through the control but by deception of various kinds.

Lord Denham said that these Church measures were slipping through Parliament too quickly

through Parliament too query He saw dangers in this transfer of power. If the General Synod had wanted to rewrite, and then retain the Lord's Prayer he

doubted wnetter the House of Lords would have agreed to it. Now it could be done without a

Could they rely on the General Synod to remember that people were people with feelings and not just units of population to be tossed about for their own administrative convenience? There

was a steady shift of power from Parliament to the General Synod-

Those to whom power was transferred should show a little more humility and compassion.

If they continued to ignore peo-

ple's feelings the next time such a

measure came before Parliament it might well be right for the Lords and Commons to say "Enough is enough". (Cheers.)

by-your-leave.

'Church leaders remote from grass roots'

This has always been a criminal offence, carrying with it liability to deportation on the recommendation of the court—but not, it was hitherto thought, removal under administrative powers. I strongly condemn illegal entry; it is both an offence under

our law, and a threat to harmoni-ous community relations. I do not shrink from firm action nto deal with it, and it will remain the Government's normal practice to send away those who entered in this way on or after January 1, 1973.

But I have decided, after taking account of the fact that, of the persons affected by the recent judgments, those at risk from the

padgments, those at risk from the retrospective power will have been here for a minimum of nearly five years and that they may now be at risk of blackmail and coercion, to extend to them the opportunity offered by my predecessor to come forward and apply to the Home Office to have their position regularized. Interest. This offer will be widely publicized; but it cannot remain open indefinitely and I have decided that the final date for considering applications, both under this announcement and that of my pre-decessor, will be December 31,

Lord Hankey said it was high time

ine Courch moved with the times.

Measures such as this were preci-sely what were required to enable it to do so. It would be helpful to

Curriculum review: **NUT** action regretted

Regret that the National Umon of Teachers had been rejuctant to cooperate fully in the curriculum review was expressed by Mrs Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science. She was commenting on the circular, issued today (Tuesday), asking local authorities to report on curricular arrangements in their areas.

Mr Nigel Forman (Sutton, Carshalton, C)—Having issued her circular will Mrs Williams do everything she can to persuade the NUT to reconsider the rather negative attitude and advice they have given to their members on responding to this circular? this circular?

What is her response to the idea that there might be a natural break at the age of 14 before which there should be adherence to a fairly common curriculum and after which there was need for a more diverse prescription?

Mrs Williams—I regret the NUT has been reluctant to cooperate fully in the curriculum review although we have had long consultations with them and other teacher organizations.

On reflection, when they appreciate there is no wish on the part of the Department of Education and Science to take over central control of the curriculum but rather to draw attention to matters rather to draw attention to matters of national concern in education, many of which have been pointed to by Select Committee of the House, I hope they will reconsider their attitude.

their attitude.

On the second part of his question, my own view is that we specialize rather too early in English and Welsh schools.

Although I would not wish to say Anthough I would not wish to say that 14 is a natural break point. I am sure we should maintain science for those studying arts and arts for those studying science to a later stage than many schools do at

Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough, Lab)—The question of the curriculum is one which teachers will not easily give over to reachers will not easily give over to the hands of other people. There-fore it is not a bad thing that they should be worried about this.

It is always a good thing in education not to make rapid changes. (Conservative laughter.) There are some people who would never make any changes at all, the Conservatives, for instance. People will discuss a thing such as this at great length before they come to a decision.

birs Williams—I understand that point about the general concern of teachers for their own professional role. I hope he will assure the NUT, of which he is a prominent member, that there is no intention on my part to try to take central control of the curriculum.

I hope he and other Labour MPs will appreciate that matters like multiracial education, no sex discrimination in schools, the extraordinary profusion of mathematical syllabuses of which there are now over 40, are of genuine concern to the House and it is not illegitimate for us to draw this concern to the attention of education authorsties.

Hundreds of mentally ill held in prison

Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk (Ormskirk, Lab) asked if the Home Secremry was yet in a position to atmounce the mimber of mentally ill people held in imprisonment, and what steps were being taken to transfer them to hospital. Mr Bryamor John, Minister of State, Home Office, in a written reply, said: I can confirm that there are, in the opinion of prison medical officers, some hundreds of people in prison suffering from mental disorder whose condition warrants detention in hespital for medical treatment, including a substantial number suffering from mental disease. I am not yet ready to offer a more precise estimate. to offer a more precise estimate.

The transfer of a prisoner to a bospital for treatment under the provisions of the Mental Health Act, 1959, is in practice authorized only with the agreement of the hospital authorities and difficulties can therefore arise where the hospital staff consider that they are unable to offer treatment or do not have appropriate facilities.

in a number of cases because such difficulties have been fore-seen the prison authoricies have judged it not worthwhile to seek a place. place.

Discussions are taking place with the Department of Health and Social Security to explore what can be done to improve the position, but the problem is a difficult one.

Reports more fascinating than meetings

During questions to the Prime Minister Mr Andrew MacKay (Birmingham, Stechford, C) asked him if he would confirm a fascinating report in The Times today which said that yesterday, when he met the national executive of the Labour Party, the Prime Minister had remonstrated with them and told them they (the Government) owed their position in the House to the Liberal Party.

Is not the reality (be asked) that Is not the reality (be asked) that the Liberal Party owe their exis-tence to the future of the Labour Government? Government?
Mr Callaghan — No, 1 do not, though I usually find time to read these faschnaring reports, to use his words. They are fascinating, 1 agree; it is sometimes much more fascinating to read the reports than to be present at the meetings. (Laughter.)

would repeal Acts passed by Commons: need to avoid conflict was intended to make clear a peradventure, what the acts of Parliament within the area of its competence its unely out in to be within the surpence power of the Eritish Parliament having taken a decision to extend that meeting the Westminster Parliament within the Westminster Parliament having taken a decision to extend that decision to ext

An amendment which, it was stated, was intended to make clear beyond a peradventure, what the Covernment had maintained—that there was nothing in fact or in constitutional doctrine which would imperit the supreme authority of the Westmiaster Parliament, was moved by Mr Eldon Griffiths (Bury St Edmunds, C) when the committee stage of the Scotland Bill was resumed.

He said that if the Scotlish Assembly was to have power, as Clause 18, to which the amendment was applied, maintained, to repeal Acts of Parliament—only within the area of its own competence—it the area of its own competence—it must be regarded as a parallel and in some cases a rival, to the Commons.

Commons.
That could not be gain ald because, under the Bill, the Scottish Assembly could pass an Act and Westminster could reverse it.
Then the Assembly could repeal the Act reversing the Assembly's original decision. He was advised that that was precisely the pos-

The Scottish Assembly passes a Bill within the area of its competence (he said) and this House advised by the Secretary of State or a committee of the judicial committee of the Privy Council, concludes that the Bill, for various secretary of national neitre, chould concludes that the Bill, for various reasons of national policy, should not stand, and passes an Act which overcomes the Scottish Bill. But there is nothing in this Bill to prevent the Scottish Assembly then, using these powers, to repeal that Act.

That illustrated the absurdity of creating a rival authority capable of repealing the Acts of the Commons which had been used to illegitimize the Acts of a Scottish Assembly.

It could not be right to create a position where either assembly

a position where either assembly was in the position of repealing the Acts of the other.

Mr John Smith, Minister of State, Privy Council Office (North Lanarkshire, Lab), said that before Mr Griffiths impinged himself too firmly on the horns of an imaginary dilemma he should know that the Commons could entrench such a provision. Mr Griffiths—That is what my

Mr Smith indicated dissent.
Mr Griffiths said that unless the
amendments were included, the
supreme authority of Westminster
would be in doubt.

would be in doubt.

Under the procedures of the Bill Scotland, at a stroke, would be converted to a single-chamber system of government. There would be no procedure to iron out faults in its Bills. Almost by a sleight of hand they would be removing for all time the functions of the House of Lords from the wide areas that the assembly would be responsible for.

If the amendments were not accepted, the Scotlish Assembly would have retrospective powers to reach back into the past and change fundamental Acts of Parliament such as the Zetland County

ment such as the Zetland County Council Act. That could not be

Concern that Scottish Assembly

Scotland were scidom related to the shortage of laws and too little legislation. On the contrary, he was sure that electors in West Lochian, of all parties, were con-vinced that there were too many laws and certainly not too few, and yet here were MPs soleanly para-

vet here were MPs solemnly parsing laws to set up a subordinate Parliament which would be churning out yet more laws.

It was obvious what would happen The assembly, to fill up time, would grapple with focal government, hospital boards, universities and anybody else, or it would spend time squabbling with London. That would be an increasingly sour and uneasy relationship. ingly sour and uneasy relationship.
People like himself were the best

People like himself were the best developers. They believed in local government, and the reasons were more local than an assembly at Edinburgh. To claim that an assembly at Edinburgh would bring the Government closer to the people was sheer cant.

The main task of monerel MPs at Westminster in the eyes of many people would be to extract cash from the Treasury in England for the assembly. That would be ther major responsibility. It was a situation which could not possibly endure, it was not possible to have a subordinate Parliament in part of a unitary state.

a subordinate Parliament in part of a unitary state. Mr Leon Brittan, an Opposition spokesman on devolution (Cleveland and Whithy, C) said the amendments raised profound matters at the centre of the Goternment's scheme or devolution, but the matters could be dealt with most effectively by a later amendment.

most effectively by a later amendment.

Dr Maurice Miller (East Kilbr.dc, Lah) said the Scotish Grand Committee was not a legislative committee. It played his part in legislation but it was wrong to give the impression it could initiate, go through and conclude any piece of legislation. Legislation had to come to the House and be discussed at report stage and third reading.

It was right that the Scottish Assembly must have law-making powers, otherwise there would be little point in having an assembly, it would be meaningless, an imposent instrument, if it were not given power to make laws.

The limitations of its powers in this respect had been clearly defined. A balance had been reasonably struck in the way the Government had defined the limits and restrictions within which the assembly would have the power and authority to make laws.

would have retrospective powers to reach back into the past and change fundamental Acts of Parliament such as the Zenand County Council Act. That could not be right.

In the future, the assembly

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Are Gordon Wilson (Dundee, East, Scot Nat) said it must be within the knowledge of MPs that the knowledge of MPs that the knowledge of MPs that the mean supposed against the wishes of the then Opposition by an English Conser-

value majority. It was exactly that sort of retorm of ignal government रक्का अनुसर्वाध

The amendments were intended competence of the Scottish Assembly. If they were to set up an assembly, as decided on sectand reading of the Bill, they must allow the Scottish Assembly reasonable freedom in which to work. Mr Isin Sproat (Aberdeen, South, C) wild the Bill's appointed believed that it was a step down the billioning clone to Sectionian 16. slippery slope to separation. If a Scottish Assembly were set up any SNP memior of it would seize every possible opportunity to stir up the maximum amount of dis-cord between the assembly and the

The House was offering a po-inve incitement to constitutional conflict. It was not something that might arise by chance but something that was bound to arise because I was the rules d'être of the SNP to cause it to arise. The Bill was ming them the weapon they wanted for that, which was why they were so consistency in factour of it

Air William Benyon Buckingham, C. and the most abrasive issue which would divide a future Scotosh Parliament and the Wespinster Parliament would be the backgrant. There would be every himsecoment to pass fertilation which was at variance with what would be required in assessing the blockgrant as a whole by a United Kingdom Parliament. It must be rudit in this instance

to retain the power of approval of the House. Otherwise the supreme authority would be rendered non-sense and it would be dangerous nonsense at that.

Mr John Smith, Minister of State, Privy Council Office, said that when the Scottish Assembly came into evidence it would inhern a complex of legislation built up over the years by the United King-uom Parliament. It would be old if the assembly were not given the power to repeal provisions of Acts of Parliament within the devolved sphere.

The problem of repeal could cas-ily be dealt with it was always open to the United Kingdom Par-liament to provide in an Ac-paised at Westminster that it could not be repealed by the assembly. If there was to be devolution they must provide proper powers for the Scientish Assembly which would need legislative cus, retence. The amendment attempted to hamper this in such a way that it would not covered effectively. would not reperate effectively.
The amendment was rejected by
159 votes to 69—Government
majority, 120,

Parliamentary notices

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Britain ready to take unilateral action to conserve fish stocks

As reported in later editions of The Times yesterday.

The Times yesterday.

Mr John Sikkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (Lewishm, Depriord, Lab) moved that the House took note of six EEC Commission documents on fisheries.

Mr Michael Jopling, an Opposition spokesman on agriculture and fisher were fully supported by scientific debates in the House strengthened Mr Silkin's negotiating hand in Brussels and the Opposition had been consistently supported him over this refer than to keep looking back or think constructively rather than to keep looking back or think constructively supported him over this refer than to be letter every-

He said that on December 5 the fisheries council would be considering once again whether it was possible to reach agreement on a common fisheries policy and whether once again there would be a series of ad hoc measures which were no substitute for a real lasting policy. ing policy.

The six draft regulations being

The six draft regulations being considered were on the division of resources and conservation of stocks. They took no account of the fact that 60 per cent of the flat stocks within the waters of the member states were in United Kingdom waters.

One regulation numbered to sive

Kingdom waters.
One regulation purported to give a preference to "North Britain", but it would only provide for preference to take effect if the total allowable catch was lower than in 1976. The Commission's suggestions for dealing with the division of resources were regarded by the Government as totally, utterly and irrevocably unacceptable. (Cheers.)

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The Government agreed with the Commission that there must be sufficient fish left to divide, however the stocks might be divided. The Government's main criticisms were that the percentage of white fish by-catch which could be taken in the industrial fisheries was too high, there would be a lack of adequate control on the carrying of small-mesh nets on voyages duranequate course on me carrying of small-mesh nets on voyages during which white fishing was carried out, that more coursel over beam trawling was needed, and one draft regulation would continue a series of relaxations of conservation rules in the Skagerak and Kattegat. Proposals to raise the standard white fish mesh in the North Sea from 70mm to 90mm, and to require a 70mm mesh when fishing require a 70mm mesh when fishing for prawns could bring about an improvement in white fish stocks, and they deserved serious consideration. The proposal for a 90mm white fish mesh could not stand alone. If fishermen were asked to use larger meshes if they fished for cod or haddock, or whiting, they would be asked to accept a loss of catch for the time being. We cannot (he said) do that without also dolog something about the tremendous catch of small white fish taken in the Course of industrial fishing in the North Sea. North Sea.

The Government would press for a stronger and more effective set

The Government would always support conservation measures on a EEC-wide basis, but the clear lesson of the past year was that it was difficult to secure the agree-ment of all member states on

thing that appears to have been prejudiced at the time of the Treaty of Accession, there exists the basis for a settlement which, while recognizing the needs of the United Kingdom could be of benefit to the EEC as a whole. for the extension of United Kingdom legal jurisdiction to the lisheries within 200 miles bring

with it an economic asset which is among the richest of its kind in the world. The withdrawal of third country vessels particularly those of the Soviet Union has increased the available stock to the benefit of the whole Community.

the whole Community.

For it is largely the stocks within British waters which have enabled not only British vessels but also those of France and Germany to continue to fish off Norway and the Faroes, Accordingly the EEC must be prepared to take into account the contribution made by the resources within United Kingdom waters and the losses suffered by United Kingdom fishermen in the waters of third countries. We regard that as a principle that applies not only to us but also to the other members of the Community.

All practical considerations led

All practical considerations led he Government to require that belt of up to 50 miles which they had demanded. It was common sense that the fisheries of a coastal state should be concentrated in the waters nearest its coast. Common sense demanded that if the Community did not apply the concentration measures. apply the conservation measures which the scientists deemed essential, those measures must continue to be applied, if necessary, unitareally our without discrimination

by the coastal state.

They had never shut their eyes to any alternative that might be proposed by the Commission, the presidency or the Council, but such an alternative must safeguard their nesition. It was in the pricit their position. It was in that spirit has they had suggested an alternative of their own and next week they would see to what extent their constructive approach had been met by others.

He hoped the discussion next week in the Council would be fruitful. The Government remained ready to act to conserve the fish stocks should that prove necessary.

stocks should that prove necessary.

Let nobody (he said) be under any illusions. The mandate I take to Brussels is a national one, representing as it does the views of everybody connected with fishing and every shade of political opinion in our country. It is to that mandate that our colleagues in the proper must now address them. Europe must now address them-

debates in the House strengthened Mr Silkin's negotiating hand in Brussels and the Opposition had consistently supported him over his welcome assertion that he tended to be resolute and get a solution which would ensure that the ultimately reorganized common fisheries policy would be fairer to the United Kingdom fishing industry dustry.

These six proposals did not co far towards a new common fish-eries policy. They only scratched the surface of the problem and in certain cases they did not make a scratch that was detectable to the The background to the proposition

was based almost entirely on conservation. At present the Community's pond yielded around three million tonnes of fish and scientists seemed to be agreed than scientists seemed to be agreed that with proper conservation policies that yield could rise to five million tonnes, which would mean they would have adequate fish for their own consumption with a surplus that they could arrange either to export or use in swop arrangements to ensure they got adequate supplies from countries wings waters at present were banned to them.

The proposals were a start. They needed major alteration, addition and stiffening if they were to

The Opposition were not confident about the ability of some member states to carry out inspections and deal with catch controls. There had been many examples of blind eyes being turned to flagrant breaches of the regulations. The reorganized common fisheries policy must find a way of reducing opportunities for cheating, now rammant

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick upon Tweed, L) said if there were to be common rights to figh there should be common rights to apply controls. If Britain had no right to check ports in Europe then there could be no check that conservation measures were being adhered to. British inspectors should be able

to go to those ports to carry our inspections. There was not a pool of inspectors available from the other countries whose conservation record could give confidence that they were able to do the work. If other Community countries wanted to send inspectors to British ports however they should be free to do

House the said for the kind of nonsense both the Commission and the Council of Ministers think we might accept.

The motion was agreed to.

recommendations and to introduce legislation on them. Consultation papers would be sent to interested

Changes in General Medical Council The main objective of the Medical consolidating this role and making intention to pursue the other

Bill was to increase the effective-

the second reading of the ISH.

The Bill makes provision for the reconstitution of the GMC and some expansion of its functions, and for the establishment of a health committee of the GMC with powers to control the registration of doctors whose fitness to practise is seriously impaired by reason of their physical or mental condition.

it easier to carry out. This was the first stage in the process of implementing the recommendations of the Marrison Committee, set up following dispute in the profession about the way in which it was

Education Committee.

These were areas in which the Merrison Committee recommendations were accepted in all quarters and were suitable for early legislation.

organizations. It was hoped that it would be possible for some of the consultation papers to go out early in the new year. The Bill gave the GMC powers to set up a health committee which, if

set of a neutri committee which, it judged a doctor's futness to practise to be seriously impaired by mental or physical ithealth, would be able to suspend his registration for up to 12 months at a time or to make it conditional on his compliance with specific requirements. The GMC was concerned about its inability at present to act in

ness of the General Medical Counhess of the General medical coun-cil in regulating the medical pro-fession, Lord Wells-Pestell, Lord in Walting, said when he moved the second reading of the Bill.

Lord Wells-Pestell said the GMC played a central role in maintaining high professional medical standards. The Bill was aimed at

The Bill covered four main areas: Reconstitution of the GMC; relatious with the Republic of Irelatious with the Republic of Irelatious with the Republic of Irelatious with the Republic of Irelations of the redical profession; doctors' fitness mpractise; and the role of the GMC Refugation. Computes

was the Government's firm such cases.

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Christian religion and he whole-heartedly supported it.

The Bishop of London sald he was saddened by Lord Denham's speech. He had said the General Synod was remote but that was always a danger that existed with any kind of democratic assembly. It was open to any churchman to find out who were the members of the General Synod. What they needed were people like Lord Den-ham who would express sentiments and test them analyst the general

and test them against the general opinion of the Synod.

The Church of England had been wrestling with these constitutional problems for at least 100 years. They had been largely saddled with a medieval structure for the Church in the twentieth century. When changes came it was mev-itable that some people would dis-

that in making changes they ought to be sensitive and humble. The motion was agreed to.

Moving a similar measure relating
to parochial registers and records,
The Eishop of London said eccle-

the church should be preserved and protected as in many instances they were the sole existing resources for historical research. Yet they were often in great jeopardy through danger of loss, damp and carelessness. In remote parishes they might be out of reach of scholars.

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The measure consolidated Acts and dightened up regulations respecting diocesan record offices and the deposit of documents in them for proper care. Register books completed and more than 100 years old must be deposited in diocesan record offices unless the diocesan history had advised they could be bishop had advised they could be kept satisfactorily in the parish The motion was agreed to.

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Board to make no decision until Jan 6 on whether to appeal

Cricket board authorities will make no decisions until January 6 about an appeal after last week's High Court decision against them in the Kerry Packer affair, or on any of its raudifications. The Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) met at Lord's yesterday and decided to await a full transcript of Mr Justice Slade's judgment and then to seek counsel's opinion on whether there were grounds on whether there were grounds for an appeal.

A special meeting of the TCCB ill be held on January 6 and y then, too, or soon afterwards, in International Cricket Conference (ICC), the other cricket body involved, are also expected to have been guided by counsel on what action should be taken. Neither body are expected to act unlikerally in the matter. TCCB members and the counties will have a copy of the opinion submitted by coun-sel before they meet to give them time to formulate an opinion.

Peter Lush, the TCCB's public relations officer, said at a press conference at Lord's last night:
"It took two-and-a-half weeks to prepare the High Court judgment and five-and-a-half hours to deliver it. I think it is prefer by ver it. I think it is perfectly reasonable, therefore, that we all take a little longer to consider all the many aspects."

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Answering questions, Mr Lush said that the TCCB had been unanimous about deferring a decision on whether to appeal or not. "All the next steps, includin gwhether there will be any approach to Mr Packer's organization and the other iscsues involving players will be on the agenda for January 6. There is no question of any contact being made with Mr Packer before then."

Cricket Octrespondent
Melbourus, Nov 29
A lack Court of foresight or
facilities provested any play today
in the first of the "country"
matches in the Packer programme.
Not even a warm sun and a strong
breeze which kept up all day were
enough to dry the bowlers' runups, which had been inadequately
protected against overnight rain.
The ground in Geelong, like
'ost of those where the Packer
stches are being played, is used
'imarily for football. Expecting
prompt start there were perhaps
I) people there this morning. The
cur organizers are hopeful of
attracting relatively larger crowds
up-country than in the cities.
Tomorrow a coaching clinic has
been arranged for some of the
local schoolboys, a feature of the
Packer tour which can do nothing
but good.

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It was just outside Geelong, at the Church of England grammar school, one of Australia's most exclusive academies, that Mr Facker was educated (he was a house prefect in 1956) though they mostly seemed unaware there today that

three of Queensland's top spin bowlers to help its side prepare for the first Test match against India at the Gabba ground here on Friday. Graham Whyte, a strong comender for Test selection, Ian Kelly and David Ashworth will all bowl at the Australians at practice on Thursday merning.

Kelly, a finger spinner, is regarded as a future state player and Ashworth, who bowls chinamans, has already been added to the Queensland team. The Indeas bowlers, regarded as the best spinners in the world, have consistently iroubled the state sides on their unbeaten tour.

In return, Jeff Thomson is the player the Indians undoubtedly fear most after their match against Queensland last week. Thomson had every player probing at balls outside the off stump and it is likely that the Indians will be practicing against speed.

Packer idea could be used

in English one-day game

Three spinners respond to

Simpson's urgent request

made on Thursday, Presents was

good.

India are likely to play three spinners with Madan Lei and Mohinder Amarusth the likely opening bowlers. Bedi, the captain has taken five wickets in an innings four times on the tour and heads the list of wicket-takers.

Two more withdrawals

Victoria

When it was pointed out that some county officials had already been quoted as saying that they would now reengage their Packer players, Donald Carr, the TCOB Secretary, said that individual opinions had been given when answering questions for reaction. No official decisions by full committees, however, had yet been taken. One would hope that the views of the board on everything would be of a unanimous nature. Mr Lush added: "Everything really is in abeyance until Junuary 6."

Yesterday's meeting, apparently,

Yesterday's meeting, apparently, discussed all facets of the affair. Mr Lush confirmed to one inquirer that there had been no resignations offered nor had there been any suggestion that any should be made. The question of whether any head representatives should any board representatives should go to Australia to watch Mr Packer's matches had been refer-red to the TCCB's chairman's ad-visory committee. This could take a decision on such issues though it would be wrong to infer that there was any question o direct contact being made with Mr Packer. If a TCCB representative went to Australia it would be to hold discussions with the official Australian authorities. Both Mr Australian authorities. Both Mr Lush and Mr Carr stressed that they could not speak for the ICC but it was unlikely that either the board or the ICC would appeal by themselves without the others'

opport. On a happier subject Mr Lush On a happier subject Mr Lush disclosed that the total sum available for distribution by the TCCB to the counties for 1977 was in the region of £1.5m, though the board's share of the estimated legal costs of £200,000 from the Packer case would have to be deducted from this. It was not

yet known what proportion of the costs would fail to the TCCB and the ICC, respectively. The figure for distribution meant that even for distribution meant that even if the legal costs eventually had to be paid, each of the counties staging Test matches would receive about £80,000 and the other counties between £50,000 and £70,000. Last year's equivalent figures for the two categories weer about £70,000 and £30,000.

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Mr Lush pointed out that English cricket had enjoyed two successful years financially, after the West Indians' visit in 1976 and the Australians this year. It was estimated that there would be at least £300,000 less for distribution next year when Policieus and North next year when Pakistan and New Zealand toured and again in 1979 when the World Cup was staged together with a four-Test series with India.

Mr Lush deferred announcing the outcome of served matters of

e outcome of several matters on sterday's TCCB agenda but did disclose that the county champion-ship programme in 1979 would again be limited to 22 matches for each side. A 24-match programme might be instituted in 1980 if it could be worked into the fixture list without extending the season.

A working party to discuss new sponsorships and promotions in cricket had been set up by the board. They would discuss among other things a proposed new competition between the winners of the four existing competitions, though it was premature in say that this was definitely a possibility. It had been agreed between the board and the sponsors that for the sake of brevity the county championship, sponsored by Schweppes, would officially be renamed the Schweppes champion-ship. list without extending the season.

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his troupe was in town. The story is told of him that when as a boy he arrived home in Sydney for the holidays without his termis racket, his father, thinking it was casual he sarrived home in Sydney for the bolidays without his termis racket, his father, thinking it was casual of him to have left it behind, put him on the train to go back and get it, a round trip of well over one thousand miles.

The Country Cup is one of four competitions on the Packer tour. It comprises 14 matches, some of two days, some of three and all of a restricted number of overs. They are to be played in Victoria, New South Weles and Queensland and not to be televised. To say that the next of them is at Rock-bampion on Friday, a distance of 1,500 miles, will give an idea of the costs involved.

There is a circle with a 30 yards radius around each wicket at Geelong: only two fleiders will be allowed farther from the bat them that in the first 10 overs of the match and only five after that. The idea, which is to prevent purely protective field-placings, though not original and is spite of its artificiality is an interesting one. If successful it could be incorporated, in a modified form, in one-day cricket in England. Rose was today given the number three batting position in the England cricketers' first tour match against the Pakistan Cricket Board

suggested at the spart of the tour that the team for the opening game would be picked with next month's first Test match in mind and Rose has been given the chance to stake a claim for an

when he was a standby for the fourth Test match against Australie lest August. He is known to in set August. He is known to prefer going in first as he has done for Somerset for the past four seasons, but with Brearley and Boycoit the likely Test openers, it seems he must also he chance at number three.

Randell and Roope, two other canditares to go in first while down, have also been picked for tomorrow's seme but they will but at number four and five, respectively.

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Ross, aged 27, a studious lefthander who underlined his potentiel with a immered for Somerset
against the Australians last May, is
the only one of the four uncopped
players in the 16-man England
party to be picked for the threeday game against the Patron's XI.
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man and Cope and Downton are
consisted. Bristone, Nov 29.—Bobby
Simpson, the Australien captain, has sent at urgent request for three of Queensland's top spin on whether he will play will be expected to be an automatic selection, though Venkstaraghavan is regarded as being almost as

and heads the list of wicket-takers with 23.
India's outstanding batsman, Gavaskar, is expected to regain his place after missing the matches against Queensland and New South Wales through injury. India's party of 16 had been depleted by injury to 13 fit players after the match against Queensland. Surinder Amaruath has a broken hand and is unavailable.—

Rose takes chance at

Patron's XI which starts here

England cap.

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As expected, the Parron's XI will include all eight Test players who were tramed but week in the equal of 14 and the match should provide some firm pointers to the times-lest series which starts in Lahora on December 14.

A break in the weether is threatening a prompt start to the game. Grey slies and intermittent rain forced England to call off met practice before lanch today and it was not until the afternoon that the pitch for tomorrow's metch was covered.

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Mudassar Nazwr. Shullque Abenet,
Haroon Rashid, Javed Miandad, Wasim
Raja, Mohshe Khan, Abdui Qadir,
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Liaquat G. R. J. Roope, G. Miller,
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Football

Elusive Best suspended for breach of discipline

George Best, formerly of Man-chester United and of Northern Ireland, is under suspension by Fulham for breach of club discia fortnight. He last played for them at Stoke on November 12 and also withdrew from Northern

Ireland's World Cup tie against Belgium on November 16. Best joined Fulham in Septem-ber last year and is on a four-year contract. But he also plays ber last year and is on a fouryear contract. But he also plays
in the summer for the Los Angeles
Arters in the United States and
might eventually settle there. Fulham's manager, Bobby Campbell,
said yesterday: "George Just has
not turned up, so I have no option
but to suspend him. I do not even
know where he is."

Mr Campbell also said that he
expects to sign Richard Money, a
Scanthorpe defender, today. The
fee is about £50,000 and Fulham
hope to sign him in time to play
in the home match against Bolton
Wandereres, the second division
leaders on Saturday.

Gerry Gow, of Bristol City, has
been suspended for one game from
Saturday. He made a personal
appeal to the Football Association's disciplinary committee in
London yesterday after accumulating 20 points this season.

Bell could come back as a defender for City

Colin Bell could still have a future with Manchester City, not in his familiar middleid role, but as a defender. He played a full game in the middle of the defence against Blackburn Rovers reserves last Saturday and gave his most impressive display in 14 reserve team outings.

Ewing, City's reserve team trainer, has been bringing Bell along slowly in middleid, but he wanted him to become more physically involved to allow him to regain his confidence so be played frim in the back four where he was forced to tackle.

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Tony Book, the manager, said:

"We are delighted at the way the experiment went. Colin could do a sweepers job mital he is 90. He has unitarited stamine, he is good in the air and his tactical know-ledge is first class. If we can't have him back in midfield there are defensive positions where I

could use him."

Bell, trying to bear a two year injury jear, said: "It was an enjoyable experience. When you have been in the game as long as I have you get a fair idea of how to play in different positions."

Several clubs have inquired about Bell, but Peter Swales, the chairman, said: "We told everyone that if Colin piayed again in League football it would be with Manchester City and that day could be much nearer now."

Scottish ties postponed

The Scottish League Cup semi-final matches between Celtic and Heart of Midlothian at Hampden Park today, and Forfar Athletic and Raugers at the same ground ou Monday, have been postpowed. The League secretary, Tommy Maule, said: "The ties will be played in March. Dates will be announced later."

Yesterday's Scottish first divi-sion match between Morton and St Johnstone was also postpomed

Today's fixtures Cick-off 7.30 unless stated

iglied y Weststene; Weymouth y Silingham, SCOTTISH LEAGUE: First divisions fonton y S. Johnstone. SCUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier divi-lon; Chellanham y Maidelone. First livision (South); Poole y Aresbury. FA YASE: Second Jound reptory. UGBY LEAGUE: Pirst division:



against Bolton Wanderers tonight, and Peter Reid, back in Bolton's team after missing three games because of

Lorimer returns to Leeds for League Cup match

Peter Locimer, who has missed two games because of an ankle two games because of an ankie infection, returns to the Leeds United side for the fourth round League Cup the against Bolton Wanderers at Burnden Park today. Brian Flynn, the £175,000 midfield signing from Burnley, is cup used. Also included in the party are Reaney, who has been out with a cardiage operation after playing in the first five matches of the season, and Hampton, who was a substitute at West Ham on Saturday. There is a doubt about Harvey who has a virus infection and if he fails a late test Stewart will be recalled.

The lams a sale was stated in the be recalled.

The Bolton manager, Iam Greaves, recalls Reid, a midfield player. Reid asked for a transfer last week when, after missing three last week when a first position, he games because of suspension, he was left out of the team that played Tottenham Hotspur.
He replaces Waldron who looks likely to join the North American league team, Vancouver White-

fee of £20,000.

Morgan misses the tie after failing a fitness test on a thigh strain that has troubled him for several weeks. He is replaced by Thompsou, a former England winger, and Jones comes into the side in place of the striker Worthington, who is come tied.

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The Southern League club Wealdstone are expected to be unchanged for their FA Cup first round replay at Hereford tomight. Their Manager, Alan Fogarty, whose side held their third division opponents to a goalless game at Lower Head on Saturday said yesterday that aithough there would be several tactical changes the names are likely to be the same.

Wealdstone have a double incentre to get through, for a vic-tory would give them a second round match at Lower Mead against Reading, the side that de-feated them last year.

Yugoslavians believe in tall World Cup stories

Beigrade, Nov 29.—Yugoslav, fresh from a remarkable 6—4 victory over Romania earlier this month, are confident that they can beat Spain by two clear goals here tomorrow and clinch their place in the finals of the World Cup. Their coach Marko Yalok, decided to attack the Romanians and relied on his talented youngsters. They responded and, suddenly, Yugoslavia's World Cup hopes rose again.

"We shall go for all-out attack against Spain and I am confident we can score the goals we need", Yalok said. Spain, who are set to stage the World Cup finals in 1982, head the Buropean qualifying group eight with four points from three games. In this, their final match, they need only draw to reach the last 16 in Areguina. Even a 1—0 defeat would put them through on goal difference. Yalok is expected to give a chance to some newcomers, as he did against Romants. Indeed, Sead Susic may be given a chance to said to the family honour. He is rated one of their best players but has emerged as a sectous international candidate only slace renouncing his former playbox trause.

playboy image.

If the Yugodavian task seems tall, it is not without precedent. In Chile, in 1962, Yugodavia had to draw with Foland to qualify and went on to finish fourth. They performed a similar feat to qualify

or the Spaniards.

Spain's main problem will be of this match. Lestle was almost to contain Safet Susic, Yugo-slavia's outstanding striker who scored three against Romanis. Another danger is Popivoda, who plays for Eintracht Brunswick in West Germany and is the only foreign-based player in the team. Ladislav Kubala, the Spanish coach, will be anxions to slow the game down, especially early on. Spain have conceded only one goal in their group matches but their lack of fire power has been a source of worry to Kubala.

Harlequins' surprise and the catch of big Whiting

known All Black: of the 1970s, will make a surprise reappearance in the Harlequitts side in the merit table match against Blackheath at the Rectory Field on Saturday. Whiting, aged 29, who played 20 times for New Zealand. has returned to Britain from Anckland because he plans to take a course in the study of gems and precious stones.

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Harlequins, for whom the glant New Zealander played regularly at the end of the 1973-74 season, hope that he will be available for the remainder of the season. Whiting returned to Eritain on Friday, and played in the Harlequins Junior A side on Saturday. His arrival took officials by surprise. Earl Kirton, a fellow New Zealander, who has been the club coach in recent years, said: New Zealander, who has been the club coach in recent years, said:
"Peter just turned up with his begs at the club, asking if we could fix him up with a game. He hadn't even fixed up anywhere to stay.

Whiting last played for New Zealand on their 1976 tour of South Africa. He dropped out of top rusby during the last season and did not play against the Lious because of a disagreement with the Auckland Union.

Mr Kirton said: "Peter was involved in a carpet business which prevented him from training on Sunday mornings, and as this

which prevented him from training on Sunday moraings, and as this was unacceptable to the Union he was not selected." Whiting, a qualified teacher, decided to take up the study of gems during the South African tour. The course, however, does not start until next autumn and he expects to find casual work in the meantime. Moseley have had to call Bucknall out of semi-retirement to play against Gloucaster at The Reddings because of Saturday's regional matches. Bucknall, who played for Staffordshire in the Bucknall out of semi-retirement to play against Gloucaster at The Reddings because of Saturday's regional matches. Bucknail, who played for Staffordshire in the 1969s, is the fourth choice hooker as Cox is playing for West Mid-lands; Brain is a reserve and the third choice, Adam, is injured.

Cooper and Cusworth are on County game at Esher.

gout so 19-year-old Allen comes in fer-his first team debut. Altengather, Moseley, still unbegger by a club side, ione il players to the regional trial.

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Streechs will be without Phillips, Crowdon. Families, Methods and Morris against Liverpool at Southgate, in come Smith. Worsford and Lyrn, Duncan, of New Zealand, who played for Poverts, Earlanders the 1971 Lions is at cerum hith and Coalle returns on the wint in place of Hanson.

Landon Stottish being firest

London Scottish hadde finge compass for their trip to Bab. Fried is pravelable and his piace at centre is taken by Eigher. Hey returns at lock in piace of Forbes and Good-nouth comes into the back row for Stewart, who is playing in the B international against Ireland.

Rosslyn Park, deprived of foreign players because of the England regional trials on Saturday, choose from a percy of 17 for tack London merit table clesh with Warps at Sailburn, Park one withhost fire forward, Kenta-Rosch, Ripley, Mordell, Seet, Mannell, contro Robiton and service half Goorse, Andrewson take, one

haif George. Anderson take, my the captainty but there are doubts about the himss of Honke and Flusker. Washs make three changes from the side that decrively bent Met-repolitan Police for the Rossia Park match. Rather comes in for French, Evans for Conner and Waldron for Ball, because of their involvement in regional trials.

Irishmen in charge

Squash rackets

Alauddin's gossamer web has Leslie spinning

Squash Rackets Correspondent Jonathan Leslie, Britain's Jonathan Leslie, Britain's national amateur champion, was beaten 9-4, 9-1, 7-9, 9-6 by Gogl Alauddin, ranked fourth in the world, in the first round of the squash rackets tournament spousored by Pakistan International Airlines at Wembley on Montaly night. This is the fourth and lest tournament in a pionesticy series that begun in Frankfurt in August and later enlivened the squash scene in such scattered cities as Stockholm and Karachi.

For most of his march Leslie

for Sweden in 1958, and again, in 1974, Yugoniavia competed in West Germany after beating Spain in a play-off in Frankfurt.

With such a record, their supporters believe that they will sea another historic victory in Red Star Stadium here with a capacity of 100,000 spectators. Organizers sold 91,000 tickets to allow room for spectators dressed in thick winter coats. Ardent supporters are hoping for wet, cold and snowy conditions for the manch which would be disadvantageous for the Spaniards.

Spain's main problem will be

off this match. Lesne was almost off the court before he had a chance to show us what he could do. But from 5—1 up in the third game Alauddin lost some of his concentration and momentum. Lesite seized the chance to mix the long and short games admirably. He was thinking well and moving well. Moreover, he had found a second wind. He won 11 points out of 13 and Alauddin had to make a considerable effort of will to tighten up his game and finish the job. In addition to his late and impressive challenge, Lesile had the satisfaction of knowing that matches such as this strength and his weakness—and such measures are the prerequisites of improvement.

Abuned Safwat, whose latest

Ahmed Safwet, whose latest hairstyle makes him look Napo-leonic, best Rehmatullah Khan, 2—9, 9—6, 9—5, 3—7, in a briskly

fluctuating match. Rehmatelving won 13 of the first to penut because he played to a time? length and secred repeatedly with fluently played, nick-hearing drops. Salwar was strugbling to find an accelerator. Then Salwat had a run of 13 points out of 13. He was now working hard, mentally and physically; becare-ing about the court on his bulgare thighs, retrieving with agile tent-city, and showing us how envi-ably deft he can be in using the

Suddenly finding the points for more difficult to win, Rehmatullin more difficult to win, Rehmatullah bruefly became prey in the indiscretion that is the child of auxiety. But ence he had adjusted himself to the glowing improvement in Safwar's performance Rehmatullah again played will. The last game and a half were hotly contested. Reasonably enough, the result suggested that when both are playing well. Safwat plays slightly better.

Satwat plays slightly better.

Last December the ambitious and assiduous Bruce Brownlee became the first New Zealander to win the British amateur championship. He is now one of the latest recruits to professionalism. He best John Easter, 5—9, 9—6, 9—4, 9—6. Easter had the none semidian best John Easter, \$-9, 9-4, 9-4, 8-6. Easter had the more punishing shots, notably his backhand cross-court nicks, and he was the better plater until two things happened. First Brownlee's tireless capacity for containment gradually took much of the running out of Easter, who become increatingly prone to seek shorter rullies than Brownless or the percentages would permit him. Secondly, Brownlee began to read Easter's game with more facility. Brownlee's short game is not yet sovern. But it serves its purpose in the overall need to move his own about. This he did: and Easter could not move about fast enough.



Mottram still refuses to play under Hutchins

A fresh move to heal the rift bledon in 1975. Mr Hutchins also between Christopher Mottram. one of Britain's top tennis players, and Paul Hutchins, the inter-national team manager, has falled. Mottram still refuses to appear for his country as long as Hutchins is in charge of affairs. The manager revealed this in London yesterday when Coco-Cola announced a £60,000 sponsorship scheme soread over the next furee scheme spread over the next three years for Britain's Davis Cup team. years for Britain's Davis Cup team.

Mr Hutchins, who will have £20,000 to spend on next year's Davis Cup programme, said:

"Before I formed my squad I wrote to Mottram a fortnight ago inviting him to be a member of it and asking him if we could not get together and try to heal our differences.

"I wanted him to join me and Mr Hutchirs also said that the new sponsorship meant that he would pay his team members £500 per match throughout the Davis Cop campaign. There will be a further £250 for the players for every rubber won. Part of the £20,000 available each year from the sponsors will go to the Lawn Tennis Association to help stage home ties. I wanted him to join me and

the rest of the players in trying to put British tennis back on the map. But through his manager be has replied that although he hoped to play for his country again some time he declined this invitation. He says that he realizes that har-Johannesburg, Nov 29.—Hans Guildermeister, of Chile, and Victor Pecci, of Paraguay, have withdrawn from the South African open tournament. Ramirez and Solomon, last year's winner and seeded third and fourth respectively. mony between the team manager and the players is an all-important issue and that his temperament might not be suited to the situa-Mottram has been out of ively, have already withdraws.—

Britain's international team since he and Hutchlos fell out at Wim-

Hampshire offer | Dyson thwarts terms to two Hampshire have offered terms for next season to Mark Nicholas,

for next season to Mark Nicholas, a 19-year-old batsman from London and Paul Terry, the Millfield captain who is leading England Schools on this winter's tour of India. Bobby Parks, the 19-year-old son of the former Sussex and England wicketkeeper, Jim Parks, will be joining Hampshire as deputy to Bob Stephenson.

Holiday comracts have been offered to a 16-year-old fast bowler, Martin Doulton, and a Sherborne-educated batsman, Tim Edwards, who is going to Oxford in 1979.

Italy hopes rise as Panatta finds his form bledon in 1975. Mr Huteming also announced his party for next year's Davis Cup matches which begin with an away tie against Monaco in March. The players chosen are John Lloyd, David Lloyd, John Feaver, Roger Taylor and Richard Lewis.

Sydney, Nov 29.—Adriano Panatta sounded an ominous warning to Australia today as the Italian team continued their practice for the Davis Cup final, starting on Friday. Panatta will spearhead Italy's attempt to regain the Cup, which they won last year by beating Chile 4—I in Santago.

The team had an intensive three-hour workout under their nonand Richard Lewis.

Mr Hutchins explained the absence of the current No 1, Mark Cox, by saying: "Mark has commitments to Team Tennis in America which has prevented him from accepting my invitation."

The team had an riterisive three-hour workout under their non-playing captain, Nicola Pietrangeli, at White City stadium today and Panatta was outstanding against Corrado Borazzutti. Pietrangeli made no attempt to hide his delight. "Panatta plays so well on grass now, particularly utilizing his booming, deep serve.

"I have no worries about bim

his booming, deep serve.

"I have no worries about him on grass and I'm confident he can beat any of the Australians." The Italians are slight underdogs for the final with the Australians being traditionally more competent on grass, but Panatta's increasing efficiency on the surface has come at the right time.

Pletrangels, however, is less confident about the rest of the team's efforts at adjusting to what for all of them is a difficult braud of tennis, though he does see grounds for optimism. Paolo Bertolucci, who is expected to team with Panatta in the doubles, played against Antonio Zugarelli

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oday. "The form of Barazzum and Bertolucci on grass is a little worrying, but they are improving every day ", Pietzangeli said. "I don't pink Barazzuti's form against Panatta today is a frue against Panatiz today is a true indication of his current game as any player in the world would have trouble with Panatiz went no Sydney airport this morning to meet his father, who arrived on his first trip outside Italy to see his son play in the final. Sydney, Nov 29,—An unbeaten century by John Dyson thwarted Victoria's attempt ar an outright victory over New South Wales in the Sheffield Shield match which ended in a draw here today. Dyson scored 103 in five-and-a-half hours for his third first-class hundred and his second this season. half hours for his third first-class hundred and his second this season.

New South Wales, who were set 401 for victory failed by 68 runs to reach the target.

SCORES: Victoria, 340 and 316 for 7 dec; New South Wales, 255 and 333 for 7 (J. Dyson 103 not out, P. Toohey 95).—Reuter.





Exultation and admiration: Fabienne Serrat of France (left), acknowledges the cheers of the crowd after winning the women's slalom in the world skiing series at Crans-Montana yesterday. A young supporter (right) watches Muhammad Ali preparing for a five-round charity bout with Scott LeDoux in Chicago on Friday.

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Royal Frolic can come out of the shadows to put out The Last Light

Royal Frolic, the hero of the 1976 Cheltenham Gold Cup, can min his first race since that memorable afternoon in March by capturing the Edward Hammer Memorial Steeplechase at Haydock

Memorial Steeplechase at Haydock Park.

There were four inches of frost on the Court on Monday night, but it would have been perfectly possible to race there yesterday, it there has been any further frost it is likely that there will be an inspection this morning.

Royal Frolic developed leg grouble last season, so Fred Rimell wisely decided that rest was the best cure. Still only eight years of age, Royal Frolic has time on his side.

On his reappearance at Wincanton Royal Frolic insued in a choroughly sound performance when running Border Incident to one and a half lengths. After making the early running he was comfortably outpaced by Richard Head's brilliant jumper. The race was run in a slow time, but at least it told us that Royal Frolic was well on the road to recovery.

The Last Light, Spacer and. What a Buck are his only three opponents. Spacer is out of his depth in this company. What a Buck are his only three opponents. Spacer is out of his depth in this company. What a Buck are his only three opponents. Spacer is out of his depth in this company. What a Buck are his only three opponents. Spacer is out of his depth in this company. What a Buck are his only three permit holder John Dixon's The Last Light has to concede 5 lb to Royal Frolic, the gelding will certainly test the Gold Cup throw admirable blend of speed and

Undefeased in his only two races this season. The Last Light showed an admirable blend of speed and courage when narrowly heating Tamalia at Wetherby. He was receiving lumps of weight from Tamalin that afternoon, so on form he certainly cannot be considered a serious threat. But this thugh and consistent eight-year-old will provide a good guide to the full extent of Royal Frolic's well being.

well being.

Royal Frolic's able trainer is
see flowing with confidence and
Sir John Hanner should have the sir John Hanmer should have the double satisfaction of watching Royal Frolic administer a hand-some besting of his field and also of winning the rate named in honour of his futher.

The supporting Northern Hurdig will provide an interesting backcloth to the day's centreplece. Mrs Monica Dickinson's Honegger is sure to start favourite on the

Mrs Monica Dickinson's Honegger is sure to start favourite on the strength of his victory in Nortingham's Merit Hurdle recently.

Other horses who won last time out were Guy Harwood's San Particle and Sharpferbeds, who created something of a surprise when folling a gamble on Nice and Friendly at Wetherby. Gordon Richards' gelding is sure to show improvement and being by Charlottown will appreciate every yard of this afternoon's two-and-a-half miles.

Honegger was ridden with a

Honegger was ridden with a great deal of confidence by Michael Dickinson at Nottingham, coming from a long way back to deliver his challenge at the final flicht of hurdles. Three times a winner on the flat last sesson. Honogger may make his speed tell again today. But the best

on the flat and five times over hurdles for her owner-breeder, Alan Miner, and the trainer, Jimmy Fitzgerald, made a suc-cessful and faultiess first appear-ance over fences in the Tecworth Novices' Steeplechase at Hunding-dust metabolics.

don yesterday.

Always close up, Fair Kitty took charge two fences out to beat the 13-1 chance Master R by three

dengths.

Grando King, backed from 7-2 to 5-2, was neither travelling nor jumping well and looked thoroughly disheartened when he ried to refuse four fences out.

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Havdock Park programme

10 WIGAN STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £631: 2m)

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1 000-0-0 Incardescence, S. biellor, 7-11-3 ...

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GE HURDLE (Handicap: 1482: 200
Tumble Rock (D). J. Maine, 6-11-10
Marsh May (D). J. Wilding, 6-11-7
Balkmein (D). W. Wilding, 6-11-7
J. Willing, 6-11-7
J. Willing, 6-11-7
J. Willing, 6-11-7
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26 EDWARD HANMER STEEPLECHASE (£2,173: 3m)

3D COUNTY STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: E860: 24m)

330 BRYN HURDLE (Handicap: 4y-o: £653: 2m)

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230 NORTHERN HURDLE (3-y-u: £1,993: 21m)

130 BILLINGE HURDLE (Handicap : £482 : 2m)

Fair Kitty wins in first

appearance over fences

waine in the race may be Ernie
Weynes's Eastbrook, who was
only just over four lengths in
arrears of Houegger. Eastbrook's
form on the flat was nothing to
write home about, but he was
having his first race for several
months at Nottingham willle
Honegger had the benefit, of a
previous outing. Eastbrook is my
each-way selection.

Like so many of Haydock's midweek and Friday programmes the
racing, apart from the two feature
events, is rether dull. Brigadier
Roscoe Harvey's No Defence has
already been successful twice this
season and may be able to give
the weight to Culloville and Arctic
Thornton's Tommy's Hope, a
beaten favourite at Ayr last week,
may be worth autother chance in
the Bryn Handicap Hurdle.

At Sedgefield, where there is
an inspection at 7.30 and prospects are not at all good, the
Newcastle scorer, Philip Green,
may manage to dely his penalty
for that success in the first
division of the Clarton Eastbre of
his recent Ayr conqueror. Flashy
flor, in the Clarton Eastbre of
his recent Ayr conqueror. Flashy
Boy, in the Clarton Eastbre of
his recent Ayr conqueror. Flashy
Roy, in the Clarton Eastbre
pasterby's remarkable gelding,
Father Deliney, can record his
fifth wie off the reef in the
Embleton Handicap Hurdle.

Amadingly, Easterby's Eleck and
White Whisky Hurdle second,
Alverton, is a 4-1 chance for the
fill, on Mecca Bookmakers Handicap Hurdle, the highlight of a wonderful day's racing at Sandown
Park on Saturday. There were only
15 acceptors at the four-day stage
of declarations yesterday. The
builk of the money with the sponsors has been for the top weight
from the champion hurdler, who
was by an means fully wound up,
he may be a trille flattered by that
result. I cannot sated defeat at the
hunds of a handicap certainty in
the shape of Kyba et Ascot, Glanclong down the list of his likely
opponents on Saturday, the 4-1 on
offer against Alverton looks an
antractive proposition.

The Mecca Bookmakers Handicap Steeplechase promises to be
an enthralling spectacle. The sight
of really quic

up before the next.

Fitzgerald, who claims the enviable record of two winners and two seconds from only four runners on the Humingdon course, has been schooling Fair Kitty over fences since last spring and has never seen her make a mistake.

The versatile mare runs next at Newcastle and will get more experience in ordinary company before trying to qualify for the Embassy Premier Steeplechase final at Haydock Park in Jamaar. If all goes well she could also run at the Cheltenham festival meeting, but will want good ground.



Scots Gambol takes the last ahead of Hill Station (left) and Hipparion.

Donzel may seek a unique double

Donzel may seek a unique double, the Triumph Burdle and the Limcoln, if he maintains the sparkle of his victory in the November Burdle at Plampton yesterdey in which Nicholas Bolman had a remarkable escape on Cambooya. Donzel took the lead at the last flight when Cambooya swerved violently to the left. swerved violently to the left.

Cambooya crashed through the plastic rails and demolished the wing of the nearby fence on the steeplechase course. Indeed, the majact was so severe that a three-inch square oak post, which secured the wing to the ground, was snapped. Holman was able to walk to the ambulance room where it was found he had only a cut finger. His mount returned anscathed.

The stewards inquired into Cam-

The stewards inquired into Cambooya's behaviour. In view of his previous display at Fontwell Park's October meeting, when he ran out at the top bend of the course, they warned his trainer, Diame Oughton, that future similar behaviour might cause a report to be made to the stewards of the Jockey Club. After the abrupt departure of Cambooya, Donzel was able to register a smooth victory, three lengths clear of an ounder. Mingales. Thoroughly satisfied by his newcomer's performance, Guy

portant milestone in his career when he kept Mr Moke going to recel Dornie's challenge by a neck in the Gallenno Challenge by a neck in the Gallenno Challenge Cup. It was his first victory since he turned professional after nine wins and 20 point-to-point successes. Mr Micke was discovered himself in a field on the Somerset coast and was hought for £69.

James Akekarsis, aged 19, celebrated his first success on Tudor Jewel at Romwell last week by winning on his stablemane, Scots Gambol, who beat Hall Station by a length in the Balcounbe Handicap Hurdie. Scots Gambol weepurchased as a five-year-old for 750 guineas by James Bowman.

The favourite, Hipparion, who was bumped on the final bend, findsted two lengths further away in third place and was unsadded in the road near the enclosures. When Philip Blacker pulled him up, he was not right in his action behind and was reluctant to enter the enclosure?, Stan Mellor said.

"The horse coon recovered and

I suspect he may have pulled a amuscle in his hind quarter."

Although Brown Jock, a game witner of the Scaynes Hill Handicap Steeplechaet is qualified for the Grand National, he will not be going to Aimree. "He's not the type for the National", Roddy Armytage, his trainer, said. Brown Jock want ahead with four fences left and held on well when Fylag Prince produced a sustained challenge in the closing stages.

Prize money at Chepstow in 1978. challenge in the closing stages.

Prize money at Chepstow in 1578 will amount to a record £191,000 says the clerk of the course, John Hughes. This will include £15,000 in February for the Joe Coral Weich, Grand National, the richest race ever run at the course, and £10,000 for the Weich Chempion Steeplechase on Easter Monday.

Other increases include the BMW Hunter Steeplechase Final—£5,000 for the men and £2,000 for the owner—the Ayusley Steeplechase, up to £5,000, and the £8,000 Panama Cigar Hurdle Final.

improvements planned for the track include serracing around the parade ring and a permanent woman jockeys' changing room. Plans to utilise the course on non-racing days include a two-day featival of spectacular oundoor events on July 29 and 30.

Wragg family take over the sales

The Wragg family took over the Newmarket December Sales arena for a few minutes last night to stage their own private scenario, as Europe's longest-ranning bloodstock auction passed the halfway mark with an all-time record aggregate now a distinct possibility by the time business is concluded on Friday afternoon.

The Wragg family took over the victories from her last six starts, carrying the colours of "Budgie" Moller. Minutes laser it was the "Harry and Peter" show all over again when another Wragg-trained three-year-old filly was led into the ring.

This was Zaran, who like Rampage, ran mp a sequence of foir victories in under a mouth this

the Datta of 12 horses sent up by the trainer, Harry Wrags, provided the highlight of the nivabour session, faciling a combined sum of marly 120,000 guineas, including the top price of the day at 42,000 guineas.

This was the figure realized by Market's game serving 4115. Thus was the figure realized by Wragg's game staying filly, Rampage, who completed a four-timer in three weeks at the end of last season, and it was the trainer's son, Peter, who made the winning bid.

Peter Wragg, who operates a bloodstock business in Newmarket, ontbid the French company, Office du Pur Sang, to secure this beautifully-bred three-year-old filly by Busted out of Boulette on behalf of an undisclosed Irish stud. Rampage did not race as a juvenile but enjoyed a ramarkable time in 1977 and ended with five

1.15 GRINDON HURDLE (£272: 2m)

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J. Suthers G. Holmes K. Cray J. J. O'Nelli G. Lawson D. Godidita R. Barry

Sedgefield Park programme

12.45 QUARRINGTON HURDLE (Div I: £272: 2m)

1.45 EMBLETON HURDLE (Handicap: £928: 24m)

2.15 CLAXTON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £644: 3m 250yd)

2.45 WOODHOUSE STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £346: 2m)

Ny Siery. L. Grunnes Bouna.
Nillago Dursky, Denys Bouna.
Another Dobons, S. Neebiff, 4-10-7
Bath Mins, R. Gray, 4-10-7
Lammas Fair, R. Grays, 4-10-7
Lord Ancholms, S. Wharton, 2-10-7
Neille's Lad, J. Shilling, 5-10-7
Paneling Boon, W. Faituristo, 4-10-7
Saucy Seize, T. Bernes, 4-10-7
Yaquda, C. Hoyio, 4-10-7
Yaquda, C. Hoyio, 4-10-7
Yaquda, C. Hoyio, 4-10-7
Yaquda, 15-1 oft

By Our Racing Staff 12.45 Philip Green. 1.15 Warrenwood Park. 1.45 Father Delaney, 2.15 The Egneer. 2.45 Snowdeift. 3.15 Nellie's Lad.

This was Zaran, who like Rampage, ran up a sequence of four victories in under a mount this summer. She now heads for South America after being purchased by Wragg junior for 24,000 guineas. Peoer Wragg said: "Zaran will go to Venzuela when the ban on the importation of bloodstock to America is lifted".

Zaran to be Middenman Made

Two maiden three-year-old fillies with ourstanding pedigres, sent up later from Jeremy Tree's Beckenham Houe stables, brought a combined total of more than 50,000 gaineas.

First on the Fringe, a vaguely Noble-sired half-sister to the brilliant 1968 English two-year-old Ribofilio, paid 28,000 gaineas, bought by the Airlie and owner, Tim Rogers.

It needed a bid of 25,000 guimess from the Greek owner-breeder, Marcos Lemos, to secure Mill Reef's daughter Quiet Harbour. The latter's dam, Peace, is responsible for three top-class performers in Peaceful (Vanx Gold Tankard and five other races) Quiet Fling (Coromation Cup and John Porter Stakes), and the Irish Sweeps Cambridgashire winner, intermission.

winner, Intermission.

La Rosse, who broke the Sandown five-furlong track record in May but falled to supplement that success in three more outings, was sold out of Toby Balding's yard for 28,000 guineas to the British Bloodstock Agancy.

The company took this Reform filly on behalf of Gavin Hunter's stable.

The smart Irish filly, Countess Eiteen, a four-year-old by Sassafras, fetched 23,000 guineas from the Irish breeder, John Alexander.

With three days remaining, the running total for the sale is now nearly 4.3 million guineas and the all-time December sales record of 6.8 million set in 1972, is within sight. During the day 140 lots were sold for 1,109,090 guineas, an average of 7,484 guineas.

Plumpton results

1.0 (1.1) STANNER HURDLE (Bland) cap: 2341 2m) Blands Staze b s. by Blast—Averen (G. Blackford)

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2.80 (2.51) SCAVWEE HILL STEEPLE; CHASE (Bandlen: £176; San)

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Experiment ..., M. O'Shee (13-2) 2 ALSO RAN: 12-1 Fighting Chance 3.15 (3.31) PAXTON MURDLE Paquita M. Soames (33-1) 3 (4th), 20-1 Weekh Buda (p), 5 rgs. E: 4-g-0 movices; \$3565; 2m 2

Boxing

WBC chief calls on Ali to retire 'in triumph'

Madrid, Nov 29.—The president of the World Boxing Council (WBC), Jose Sulaiman, of Mexico, today invited the world heavy-weight champion, Muhammad Ali, "to retire from boxing in triumph".

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Addressing the WBC's annual convention here, Mr Sulaiman said Air was the greatest personality in the history of boxing and the genuine pride of the boxing world. "But he must avoid any diminishing of his image in the eyes of boxing fans and authorites. If Ali continues to fight, he must do so with absolute respect for our regulations as not even he, for all his greatness, can make the WBC avoid its obligations based on our constitution", Mr Sulaiman said. He added: "I take this opportunity to extend a new invitation to Muhammad Ali to retire from boxing in triumph".

Mr Sulaiman was believed to Mr Sulaiman was believed to be referring to wilespread feelings in WBC circles that Aji is reluctant to box top challengers and is content to meet a string of lower-ranked boxers he feels be can beat without too much difficulty.

he can beat without too much difficulty.

The WBC constitution states that a world champion must be "willing and ready at all times to defend his title against any quelified opponent". The unmber one contender, Ken Norton, who has met Ali three times in the past and lost twice, is expected to arrive in Madrid tomorrow to argue that Ali is avoiding him and to demand he be stripped of his title. Ali has not boxed the number one contender since he met lose Frazier at Manila in September 1975. When he last met Norton, George Foreman was the official challenger.

lenger.

The WBC have ordered All to agree by December 31 to meet Norton, but All has applied for an extension of the deadline until February 15 to enable him to meet another American, Leon Spinks, ranked thirteenth, the week before. The Council are expected to decide on the application, and what measures to take cation, and what measures to take to ensure All meets Norton, on Thursday.—Reuter.

Madrid, Nov 29.—The British middleweight boxer Alan Minter, has been given the chance of a quick rematch with Gratien Tome of France, who beat him in Milan last September to take the European title, Ray Clarke, a British Boxing Board official said today.

Boxing Board official said today.

The European Boxing union (EBU) decided at their meeting here last weekend to make Minter the official challenger because of the closoness of the Milan bout, Mr Clarke added.

No date has been fixed for a bout between the two, and European boxing sources said that Toona might vacate the title in order to take his chance against the world middleweight champion. Rodrigo Valdez, of Colombia.

If this was the case, Minter would probably meet another European middleweight for the vacant title, the sources said.—Reuter.

Skiing

Slalom success surprises

Crans-Montana, Nov 29.—Fabienne Serrat, of France, the world
women's giant statom champion,
won the world series statom event
bera today with a combined time
(for two runs) of Imin 43.79sec.
Hanny Wenzel, of Liechtenstein,
was second in 1:44.15 and the
World Cup champion, Lise-Marie
Morerod, of Swinzerland, was third
in 1:44.36.

World Cup champion, Lise-Marie Morerod, of Switzerland, was shird in 1:44.35.

The event was marred by a record number of fails. Only 12 of the 67 starters finished the races, a bump-up in the upper half of the 550-metre course claiming most of the victims. Among those eliminated were Annemarie Moser, of Austria, and Abbi Fisher, of the United States, who was fourth after the first run.

The course was hard inder a bright sum, with 60 gates in the first and 55 in the second, faster rum. The winner was overjoyed. "It's a real surprise since I haven't concentrated on slalom training", she said. "Also, my goggles came off in the upper half and I lost time in fixing them. It's funny but I was never nervous."

The favoured Mrs Morerod turned in the best intermediate time in the second run, but disappointed the Swiss supporters by slowing down sharply. "I faulted badly shortly after the halfway mark", she said.

Miss Fisher, aged 20, from South Conway, New Hampshire, had 10 gates to go when she fell. "It's not a tragedy", she said. "Doing so well up to 10 makes me confident that I am in good shape."

The Swiss head coach, Hans Schweingruber, disagreed. "I think the race and the many falls showed all girls still need more training on winter snow. Up to now, they have practised on glaciers."

WOMEN'S SLALOM! I. F. Serrot women's Station! I. See Station. Scillet So. See So. Se

Hockey

1 Indian police arrest Spain's hopes

New Delki, Nov 29.—The Spanish hockey team lost all hopes of entering the semi-final round of the Nehru tournament here today after they were defeated 2—0 in their pool one match by the Central, Reserve Police team. Spain had received a big setback vesterday when they were downed yesterday when they were downed 1-0 by the defending champions, Punjab Police. The Indian Hockey-Federation

The Indian Hockey Federation Drak Blues are top of pool one with five points from three matches. They dropped one point toda yafter they were held to a goalless draw by Punjah Police. This was a lack-lustre affair. The policemen forced four penalty corners but failed to capitalize on them.

The England team kept their hopes alive yesterday after beating North-Eastern Rallways 1—0 in a pool two match. England did not play today, But elsewhere in pool two, the powerful Indian airlines team dealt a heavy blow to Border Security Force by holding them to a 1—I draw.—Reuter.

Cousins's rivals faced with Herculean task

By Dennis Bird
Fresh from his recent victory in the Skate Canada competition, Robin Consins defends his British figure skating championship at Richmond ice rink today and tomorrow. He has completely recovered from his cartilage operation this year and is generally recovered from his cardiage opera-tion this year, and is generally recognized as one of the top four or five skaters in the world. He should have little difficulty in win-ning a second national title.

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The championships are again sponsored by Faberge Incorporated. Two other men have entered, but they know they are really competing for second place; it would be a truly Herculean task to dislodge Cousins in his present form. Andrew Bestwirk, from Blackpool, aged 18, looks a possible runner-up, although Christopher Howarth (Richmood) may have something to say about that. The women's winner is much harder to predict. There is a fascinating situation here. Karena Richardson (Deeside, North Wales) has held the title since 1975, but in the last European championship she was beaten by her team collecture, 15-year-od Deborah Cottrill. from Solihuli. Miss Richardson is skating well, as she showed when linisting fourth in the Richmond International Tropby three weeks ago. Miss the Richmond International Trophy three weeks ago. Miss Contrill's form is more difficult to assess; she competed valiantly

in the Skate Canada competition depite a bleeding nose, and her eighth place probably says as much for her determination as for her skill. At her best, she can pose a real threat to the holder.

Piquancy is added by the entry of an unknown quantity from the United States, Teresa Foy. She lives in Los Angeles, but is the daughter of British parents and has British nationality. She was fourth in the last United States Pacific Coast championship and is an American gold medal winner. She is a pupil of Britain's former world pair-skating champion John Nicks. In order to qualify for the British championship she had to work her way through the National Skating Association tests, under the mittion of Nicks's own trainer.

Skating Association tests, under the tuition of Nicks's own trainer Another American-based entrant, Jacqueline Dean, from Denver, was eighth in her last attempt on the British title in 1975. There are British title in 1975. There are 14 women competitors in all, including the 1976 bronze medal winner Phyllida Beck (Queen's Ice Club) and 17-year-old Wendy Base, of Solihull. Miss Base had to retire last year when she was attacked by a polio virus, but her dauntless courage has enabled her to return quickly to competition. Alan Beckwith and Ruth Lindsey (Streatham) are defending their pair-skating title against two other entries.

Agreement may soon be reached on contracts

By Richard Streeton Fifteen countries, more than ever before, have entered the team event at next April's European badminton championships, which are being held in England for the first time. The championships the first time.

pean onominton championships, which are being held in England for the first time. The championships take place at the Guild Hall, Preston, from April 9-15. Tho team event for the Rosenbom Cup occupies the first three days, followed by the individual championships for which entries do not close until March.

Competing nations are placed in groups on the basis of their performances at the last European championships which were held in Dublin in 1976. Denmark, the holders, open their defence on the first day against The Netoerloops. England's challenge to regain the cup narrowly lost in Dublin begins against Sweden the same day.

Scodand are in group two with West Germany and the Soviet Union, and Ireland and Wales share group three with Austria and Norway. Group four comprises Switzerland and Belgium, together with Portugal and Italy, who are competing for the first nine. France, still in the throes of establishing the game, decided they were not ready to take part, and Czechoslovakia did not enter because of the costs involved.

The English national championships at Coventry from December 8-11 will involve 144 competitors. Derek Talbot and Ray Stevens, who hopes, to be fully match-fit after his recent lajury, are the joint top saeds in the men's singles, and Mrs Gillian Gilks leads the women's list.

A change will have to be made in one of the peirings for the

women's doubles being tried by the national selectors because of Miss Karen Puttick's recent cardinge operation. Miss Puttick who made her first international appearance on England's recent tour of Canada, is making good progress. Her scheduled partner, Miss Karen Bridge may now play with Miss Panla Kilvington in the doubles, as the selectors continue to experiment in preparation for the Uber Cup.

Away from the courts the same

Away from the courts the game continues to try to sort out its present problems. The Badminton Association of England (BAE) today meet equipment manufacturers to discuss players' contracts with firms. It is hoped eventually that agreement will be reached accepting different categories of players, including those not wishing to remain eligible gories of players, including mose one wishing to remain eligible for Olympic recognition, but at least keeping everyone under the segis of the BAE. "We want to get away from 'them and us 'situation with the players; it just is not necessary', a BAE official said yesterday.

John Joiner, secremy of the Badminton Players' Association (BPA) returned to England yesterday after attending the inaugural meeting of the break-uway World Badminton Federation last week in Kuala Lumpur, Re will be discussing over the milenhouse what he learned with the will be discussing over the telephone what he learned with his committee members round the world over the next lew days, and is then expected to issue a statement. Most of the leading players in the BPA will not have a chance to talk together until the Swedish open championships in January.

force to the dedands four times and the grille once before taking the game. The eighth game, which Windham won, was equally

in the early part of all three sets, Dean managed to hold Ron-aldson but then the pressure be-

RESULTS: H. R. Angus brot A. C. Windham, 6-2, 6-2, 6-0; C. J. Ronaldson (Australia) beat M. P. Dren, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4

long and tenuous.

Real tennis

French champion World and US champions meet in first semi-final

Correspondent
Christopher Ronaldson, the professional at the Royal Melbourne
club and the United States open tessional at the United States open champion, will play Howard Angus, the world champion, in the first of tomorrow's semi-final found matches in the open singles tournament, sponsored by Cutty Sark, at Queen's Club. Neither lost a set yesterday in contrast to the two other semi-finalists, alan Lovell and Norwood Cripps, both of whom were taken to the full distance on Monday.

Angus won easily enough, beating a fellow left-hander, Andrew Windham, 6—2, 6—3, 6—0, at times playing as if he was in a hurry to return to work. Windham like most of Angus's opponents, struggled and tried to stretch his game beyond its capabilities. His play is usually irregular, but, in several games he showed that if he could control his game, he would be a much better player. long and tenuous.

Ronaldson's win over Michael Dean, who succeeded him as professional at Oxford University, by 6—2, 6—3, 6—2 was not as
closely fought as expected. Both
are tall and have smilar attacking styles, though Dean is a more
ardent and forceful volleyer. If
made for a fast game but Dean
looked brittle against Ronaldson's
sounder play on the floor, his
aumerous short passes and good
length. aldson but then the pressure became too heavy. Dean hit the grille and dedans frequently, but so did Ronaldson who, for instance, laid two short chases and hit the grille twice in the last game of the second set. In the third set, Ronaldson's play around the tambour became deadly and he had a monopoly of the winning rollery.

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games of the second set were
cases in point. Windham had cases in point. Windham had several points for the second game, laid one short chase and conducted some long rallies. Angus had to

Snooker Former champions beaten

Fred Davis and Ray Reardon, former world champions, were knocked out of the United Kingdom professional snocker championship at Blackpool on Monday night. Davis was beaten 5—0 by Pat Fagan, a 25-year-old London-based player from Dublin. Jim Meadowcroft, from Bacup, eliminated Reardon 5—4. Fagan and Mendowcroft meet in the quarter-final round today.

Yachting

British yacht lags | Oxford include 46 min behind after 14,000 miles

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Auckland. Nov 29.—A French
yacht. 33 Export, took over the
handicap lead for the Cape Town
to Auckland leg of the Roundthe World ocean race when she
arrived here today. The 56ft
sloop, skippered by 23-year-old
Alain Gabbay, crossed the line
well ahead of schedule to beat the
provisional handicap leader, King's
Legend, of Britain.
The Common Market entry.
Traite de Rome, is still well placed
to win the stage on corrected time
if she arrives by early Thursday.

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On total corrected time from
Portsmouth, where the race started
in August. a Dutch boat, Flyer,
holds a narrow 46min 50sec lead
over King's Legend after 14,000

miles.
Earlier today, Britain's ADC
Accutrac, with yachtswoman Clare
Francis at the helm, became the
sixth boat to finish. She said:
"One always expects the southern ocean to get rough but our only real bassel was when the heater broke down—and it got cold."—

Cross-country

senior **US** international

Oxford University have chosen four of last year's winning team for the eighty-seventh cross-country race against Cambridge at Roehampton on Saturday. They include Warwick Ewers, last year's winner, who is running for the seventh and last time.

The captain, Christopher Brodie,

was third last year, Nicholas Brawn was an England junior international and Craig Masback is a senior American international over 1500 metres. Oxford, after a successful season with recent victories over Birmingham and London Universities, are confident of beating Cambridge, who are likely to be stronger than last year. OXFORD: C. J. Althic (George Heriot's, Edinburth and New College.)
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TOTE: Win, 51p; places, 11p, 48p. 55p; thal forecast, 51,80, M. Chap-man, at Gipstone, 51,114, Winner was bought in for 775 guiness.

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Bernard Levin

What happens to humanity when there's dirty work Down Under

I always knew that there was no limit to the number of the swineries governments are capable of, but I had never capable of, but I had never before realized that there is no boundary to their extent either. Betore, that is, I learnt of the latest action of Mr Malcolm Fraser, Prime Minister of Australia, to whom I can address no words more fitting than a line I recall from a short story of G. K. Chesterton's: "Get a new soul, man: ton's: "Get a new soul, man; that thing's not fit for a dog." Ever since the fall of South Vietnam, refugees from the new unified state have been fleeing from what has followed the pax Kissingerensis. This is not the occasion to discuss conditions in the new Vietnam ditions in the new Vietnam, though I intend to do so in time; let us just record that thousands have attempted to escape from the country, and that the exodus is still going

At first, they went to Thailand, which is, after all, practically next door. Eventually, however, the Thai government decided that it could take no more such refugees; a shabby decision, certainly, but it must be remembered that Thailand is a poor country, and not a particularly strong one, and its very vulnerable position means that its rulers have to keep on good terms with their communist neighbours. The same, a lesser extent applies means that its rulers have to keep on good terms with their communist neighbours. to a lesser extent, applies to Malaysia, which has done the same as Thailand,

But the desire to get away from countries like Vietnam is not to be quenched by a single rebuff. (It is, after all, the same desire as that which drives East Germans to risk almost certain death from the guards, dogs, minefields and automatically operated machineguns which line their border with freedom.) Turned away by land, the refugees have taken to the sea, seeking a country, among the vants with him (I am just old islands and archipelagos of Asia and the South Seas, that one, in exactly that form, being will take them in. In this tragic told in Britain about German-

been drowned trying to get away in boats too small, un-suitable or defective; some, however, have remained afloat long enough to be turned away from more than one neighbourfrom more than one neighbouring country. So some, no doubt
more daring or perhaps foolhardy than the rest, have set
out on a voyage, thousands of
miles in extent, to Australia.
There, after all, they would
find a haven (it is surely significant that the word with
which we describe such people,
"refugees", is in the passive
mode, and has never seriously
been challenged, for supremacy been challenged, for supremacy in usage, by the active "escapers", though the latter is more logical). The southern-

most station of white Western culture, ideals, democracy and humanity, Australia was as natural a goal for the Vietnamese "boat people" as the United States had been for the persecuted at the end of the nineteenth century, and as certain to take them in.

Some of them got there, through the storms and the starks, and settled down; less an arrange should have visions of

anyone should have visions of powellite hordes of aliens swamping Australia (area: 7,682,300 sq km) I should point out that the total number of those who have got out since South Vietnam was overrun, and landed in Australia, is at most in four figures (Australian population: 13,502,300). It is said that some 2,000 more are on their way; one

group is on a fishing-boat of trawler size, and may number several score. Australia, apparently determined to retain, and indeed strengthen, her reputstion as the armpit of the Southern Hemisphere, has been thrown into a state of panic. The usual refugee stories are circulating; the "boat people" are rich, one brought three ser-



before the Second World War); there have even been strikes and demonstrations against the wish to leave the Workers' Visummese, organized by the Paradise of the new Vietnam

Jewish refugees from the Nazis Australian Communist Partytheir point being, presumably, that anyone so ungrateful as to

And at that point, Mr Fraser, Australia's Prime Minister, announced that not only would announced that not only would the refugees at present on the water be refused permission to land if they got to Australia, but that the Australian Navy would be ordered to intercept the boats and "turn them back". The spectacle of a war-ship bearing down on anything from a fishing-trawler to a row-ing boat, ordering its crew (if it from a fishing-trawler to a rowing boat, ordering its crew (if it
has one) to turn it round and
head back to the storms, the
sharks and the slavery, and
firing a shot or two across its
bows if the order is not obeyed,
is one to make the stomach
heave; I cannot believe that
the Australian Navv is composed of men like their Prime
Minister, and therefore hope
that such commands would be
tactfully ignored, but the fact
that they can be given at all
is quite bad enough.

Advance Australia Foul. Mr

Advance Australia Foul. Mr Fraser, of course, is in the throes of a general election, and fighting, it seems, for his political life. No doubt the chance of simultaneously placating the xeaophobic vote and the fellow-travelling vote appealed to him strongly; and what, after all, are a few Vietnamese here or there compared with the sweets of office? Nor can the prayers of those who share thy view of Mr Fraser be eagerly solicited on behalf of his opponent in the election; if a Conservative Prime Minister can behave in this fashion, it is hardly to be supposed that a Labour one of Mr Gough Whitlam's stripe will behave any better.

As I have said, Australia is not alone, among the nations of Advance Australia Foul. Mr

not alone, among the nations of Asia and the Pacific, in this wretched behaviour. But there is some excuse for the others; there is none at all for the the Equator, a country with literally immeasurable reserves

no foreseeable limit before the end of the next century to the development of her gigantic land area. What is more, there would still be no excuse for Australia if the Vietnamese refugees were counted in hunrefugees were counted in hundreds of thousands, instead of in ones and tens. Once, Australia stood with the United States in her determination that South Vietnam would remain from of the Committee which main free of communist subju-gation; if it comes to that, Australia once enjoyed a reputa-tion for a kind of honest man-liness that the effece Europeans had lost. Now, it seems, they prefer to go whingeing (an ad-mirable Australian word, com-bining "whine" and "cringe") towards the future, while a few hundred poor Vietnamese (or rich Vietnamese, for that mat-ter) float about the southern seas in search of liberty.

Australia votes next week; possibly the majority of the electors will not treat this matter as the most important consideration in their choice of a government, and, as I have suggested, they are hardly likely to affect it by their choice If they do. But there must be some Australians—many, I should hope—who regard their present Prime Minister, for his heroic stand against half a dozen helpless Vietnamese returnes with a redding contemporary. fugees, with condign contempt, and to them I offer, by way of a reminder that the world has not always been full of Malcolm Frasers, those famous lines carved upon the most famous tattle of the modern world. which serves as portal to a land which once behaved rather better than Australia does now: to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore,

Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed, to me:
I lift my lamp beside the golden

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Is the time ripe for the strange fruits of the consumer grapevine?

information last week when consumerists from the nine countries of the EEC mixed with government ministers, pub-lic authority representatives and diverse academics to consider some 50 papers and presentarions all, in some way or other. nons at in some way or other, seeking to answer the question: "What do consumers need to know about the things they are asked to buy, and how should they be told?"

Naturally the answers varied considerably. As ministers' opening speeches made clear. different countries have onted for different approaches. Mr Robert Maclennan, junfor min-ister at the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection, indulated in a little sentle boasting about British consumer advice centres, without men-tioning the local difficulties the Government has had in persuading some local authorities to

keep them open.

Mme Scrivener, from drance, talked enthusiastically abour her PO Box 5000 scheme, which supplies one clearing house address to which all consumer complaints can be sent, to be sorted out and taken up by appropriate experts.
The underlying assumption of almost all the contributions

volced by Mr Richard Burke, the European Commissioner for the European Commissioner for Consumer Affairs in his welcom-ing address, was that "the pro-vision of sound, detailed and lacid information must be at the very heart of any effective consumer protection policy." And to that end there are proposals for EEC directives on labelling foodstuffs, on unit pricing and on misleading and unfair advertising.

These are but the first fruits

of an idea comparatively newly planted. As the symposium pro-ceeded one could watch the proposed consumer grapevine burgeoning and already begin-uing to bear strange blossom. The conference endorsed, or received with apparent appro-bation, suggestions that, for le, consumer associations should be given free space in mewspapers and magazines proportioned to the general quota of commercial redvertibing hosted in the newspapers or magazines concerned and that consumer protection should that consumer protection should be appropriate to the consumer protection should be appropriate to the consumer protection should be appropriate to the consumer protection and the consumer prote be a compulsory subject of education in both primary and secondary schools. The French proved most enger

informative labelling schemes, It was even com-plained from their camp that EEC regulations forebade French wine shippers putting as much information on their labels as the Franch authorities would regard as the minimum required.

brands and products, it was said repeatedly, must be matched with more and more informa-tion about everything. Governments must provide more, com-panies must provide more, and consumer associations must be they too can provide more.
The escalating excitement of this elmost universal entitudi-asm for information reached it spoges on the last day, with a contribution by Dr. Hans Thorelli, professor in the gradu-ate school of business at Indiana.

University.
Dr Thorelli looked into a future thick with consumer information programmes. As

products abound, daily papers will be filled with market overviews based on producer specifications, and independent

People will shop from from them using picture-phones and them way cable television to learn about their intended purchases. The Post Office's Viewdata project, linking the telephone to the home television screen, might be used to enable customers to dial up screenful of information at a time.

"It may soon be economically

"It may soon be economically feasible", exulted Dr Thorelli, "for individual households to be linked to large central computer facilities by means of inpurousput terminals attached to their telephone or TV. The next breakthrough will be next breakthrough will be computerized consumer informs

dicted, be computerized data banks filled with detailed information about the products and their precise availability at

and their precise availability at all local supply centres before the end of the century.

And how will consumers cepe? someone cited at last. Dr. Thorelli was confident. Even the educationally underprivileged couldn't they? They should have no treathle handling a computer terminal. 'a computer terminal.

Maybe, bur one can only remark that this heady vision of

an automated and informationpacked future is far removed indeed from the present day

Buried among the conference papers, and afforded relative y scant attention during the proscart attention during the pro-ceedings, were two napers sub-mitted by Mrs Jennifer Drayton and Miss Margaret Wallace of Strathclyde University. Their researches should have des-troved the mounting emphoris at a stroke.

Succincily stated, they found that consumers already ignore, or misapply, the information they are given, and that to give more information is liable to add to confusion.
Research into a Swedish furniture labelling scheme, for example, showed that less than two per cont of people who bought piece; with carefully detailed and informative labels attached had even looked at the labels before they took the

plunge. Another piece of Stratticlyde research concerned the use of price surveys comparing the local prices for basic foods and household necessities. Prepar-ing such surveys has been a principal activity of Britain's boasted consumer advice cen-

of the surveys among shoppers was not high, though it was higher among the lower socioeconomic groups the surveys were principally intended to help. Yet of a small sample of 64 in which 13 in the lower socio-economic group hed heard of the survey, 11 of the 13 soid never found any research to refer to the information to refer to the information. tomy out out poments who always used the price survey when doing her shopping.

So there is a more difficult. question to answer than the ones with which the symposium principally concerned itself. It is: "What price do you put on consumer. Information when nobody wants to know?"

Robin Young

For European man in the year 2000, life could be a Kibbutz-style Utopia a long way from the big cities

More and more people seem to believe that not even the most virtuoso re-juggling of the old economic formulae will end the present recession and reduce unemployment to the levels of the 1950s and 1960s. Something more drastic is needed: a change in the way we live and

Nor many politicians appear so far to be of this persussion, perhaps because their stock ideological reflexes look irrelevproblem is examined, or are Jerry Brown of California, visitng London today, is a notable exception. Those who share his belief that a new approach to life is needed will find. powerful support in Europe 2000, just published by Duckworth at the futuristic price of E12, after seven years of re-search by more than 200 experts in 10 European countries, and with no less than £1.75m of backing from the Holland-based European Cul-

It has been edited and to a considerable extent written by graphy at Reading University, with contributions from a distinguished European team in-cluding Bertil Jönsson, director of corporate planning at Volvo's headquarters.

The book is remarkable not so much for the novelty of its findings as for its messively-funded and heavily-researched vindication of the ideas of such writers as Ivan Illich, Lewis Mumford and the late Ernst Mumford and the late Ernst ahead). Among those he Schumacher, which have already examines are: the need to been largely borne out by conserve resources:

Few people would probably quibble at Mr Hall's selection of looming problems. He of looming problems. He includes the decline in Europe's competitive power in the mass production of industrial goods, complemented by the rise of town, with advances in tele-industrializing nations like communications cutting out Iran, Brazil and South Korea; much unnecessary travel.

trial workers with assembly line production, still masked by immigrent labour; growing dependence on bureaucracies; and the danger of such groups as immigrant workers and unemployed achool leavers feeling excluded from society.

The list of notional remedies

is by now almost equally familiar (Mr Hall was struck by the similarity of the basic ideas ence for using tools rather than being used by machines, and a new emphasis on quality and durability; and the reorganiza-tion of social and economic life in small-scale units somewhere between a kibbutz and a new town, with advances in tele-

Europe's dangerous dependence on imported raw materials (one idea which has sunk home); the disenchantment of young indus-

caricature stressing change living in a converted farmhouse on the edge of a hill area between 70 and 150 km from a major city. In accordance with the EEC energy act of 1982, it is heavily insulated against heat loss, has a windmill to reduce electricity costs, recycles farm refuse for fuel, and draws

on solar energy.

The house is in a small hamlet abandoned during the great European agricultural depopulation of the 1950s. shared with other clusters of around 200 pec munity centre. Retirement has been abolished, and work roles are very flexible.

Class barriers and pay dif-ferentials have been eroded. Owing to strikes and discontent in big urban factories in the 1970s and 80s, the big multinationals have decentralized many operations to small workshop units in the new rural communes. Most people do

some work on the mixed, labourintensive farms. It is a real return to the extended family or caring group of earlier ages, with work, including child-rearing, being shared by men

Exaggerated, Utopian, not economically viable? Certainly still a minority way of life, but one that will spread, Mr Hall believes, and a scenario which even the industrialists in the research groups were prepared When I put the doubter's view

to him, he pointed out that to react against large-scale orga-nizations. The team's researches suggested that components in particular could be produced in smaller units.

Mr Hall saw no contradiction between a continuing trend' towards bigness and a perallel trend towards better quality and specialized production (bigger supermarkets, and more bealth shops). Movement into

towns accompanied the great growth of urban areas of the 1950s and 60s. It was now the small towns, not the big cities which were dynamic, he said. "It's not some kind of Utopian thing which has every-

the suburbs and even small

one in beads and sandles engaged in crafts. It's a natural evolution of post-industrial society; not a reversion to the middle ages, but exploiting the fact that you can produce on a smaller scale, libked to large-scale, production," he said.

Mr Hall concludes Europe ing to anticleate problems, rather than spending vast sums on grappling with them when they appear. Perhaps forecasts of even higher unamployment will help to persuade European leaders that some freely shiple. leaders that some fresh think-ing along the lines sketched out in this very stimulating book is

Roger Berthoud

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- I Which City has more miles of canals than
- 2 Which City was described in the Doomsday Book of 1086 as being worth 20 shillings?
- 3 Which City has a population of 28 million living within 100 miles?
- 4 Which City is at the hub of the UK Motorway network?

5 Which City has over 190,000 sq.ft. of available office space in one building now?

Of course you know that Birmingham is the UK's second largest City but perhaps we could tell you about Berkley House a fine new building in the heart of that City-would you like to see our film?





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The monarchy goes to the wall, but in fun

A sense of humour, opined Prince Charles once, is what had kept him sane. This mornhad kept him sane. This morning, at London's Press Club in the International Press Centre, the Prince will have a rare opportunity to indulge that sense of humour by studying the way in which royalty-warchers have indulged theirs.

He will open an exhibition of 135 cartoons, all inspired by the monarchy. He will not look for, nor will he find, sycophancy. He will have been forewarned, anyway, by the name of the exhibition, Not by Appointment, though the exhibits (with a few unflattering republican and syrrealist exceptions) manage a very nice exceptions) manage a very nice line in respect.

Some of the cartopoists

turned up at vesterday's press preview. Cummings of the Dailu Express, was there, and he is well represented on the walls. He told me he was sorry to find that the one carroon of his which he knows is now at Buck-

which he knows is now at Buckingham Palace is not on view
at the Press Club.

It shows the royal coach
being showered with Foreign
currency, thrown by visitors,
while the Duke of Edinburgh
confides to the Oucon: "This
is the only nationalized industry that is making a thumping try that is making a thumping

The first things the Prince will see as he enters the exhibition are four cartoons of various Princes of Wales, including one of himself—as an astronaut—by Barry Fantoni.

He will be reminded of the savageness with which past carronnists assailed the monrohy: Gillrav's caricature of George IV, for instance, showing a swellen voluptuary, listless after a mighty session of gorging.

ing.

Not by Appointment opens to the public this afternoon and runs in aid of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal, until



What a gas

A Kensington reader has sent my colleague Bernard Levin a cutting from The Times which advertises a post with British Gas. This anonymous reader suggests that such is the quality of the PR carried out for British Cas by the Large Column British Gas by the Levin column that it was inevitable that the power industry would go in

Applications are invited for Tutor in Human Relations at he National Management Centre which British Gas is in the process of setting up. The job, based at Stratford-upon-Avon, carries a salary of up to £7,402.

The selected tutor will "take specific responsibility for de-velopments in the area of or-ganizational behaviour and human relations." An academic qualification in "the behavioural sciences" is desirable, supported "by experience in a business school type environment." Need anyone say more?

Bing still sings at Christmas

The last recording of Bing Crosby, which was made at the BBC's Maida Vale studio onlythree days before the star's death, will be transmitted during a special, hour-long, Radio 2 Christmas show on December 27 at 11 am. After his appearance at the

London Palladium with Rosemary Clooney, Bing went to the studio un October 11 to chat to Radic 2 presenter Alan Dell. He sang various numbers live, among them Once in a While, The Night is Young and As' Time Goes By.

The following day Bing flew to Spain and, as we now know, two days later played his last game of golf. During the recording, I am told, he was "in good form and seemed perfectly woll."

The programme's producer, Lawrie Monk, adds: "The whole programme was set up in a matter of days. When Bing made the recording for us, he sang eight songs which were a mixture of nostalgia and current releases."

It was a satisfied, even proud, John Uding who returned to Amsterdam airport from London. It is, after all, not every day that a man is elected president of the Confederation of European Pest Control Associations. The glow of satisfaction dimmed and went out when he got into his parked car. It was infested with mice. Chocolate had been nibbled and papers chewed up to make a nest. Even the map of Amsterdam had been eroded; in place of the location of his company's offices in the city there was now a jagged hole. Mr Uding: head of the Rentokil company in The Netherlands has not entirely spiled out revenge as the motive.

Unfair display

the East.

An official Soviet protest followed, not because of the infiltration of Western decadence, but because the Weistmen had

thoughefully removed the centre-page spread of Miss Whatsit-of-the-month before effecting the exchange.

I understand their MajorGeneral Roy Redgrave himself,
GOC in the British sector, had

to order a search of barrack room walls for the clusive ladies before the Red Army

Rude awakening

Another Berlin blockade seemed. The cut and thrust of debate imminent the other day when in the New South Wales parliament topies of a well-known girlle magazine for a fur hat from their Russian comrades in the East.

An official Societ protest fellhas just reached me: Mr Wran: I shall answer the supplementary question of the honourable member for Pittwater. I am surprised that he is still awake; it is the first time he has been awake during question time since he became a member of this Parliament. (Interruption.)
Mr Wran: Some Opposition members on the front bench show surprise but we can see him and hear him snoring up

A case of mind over matter: it's just horse sense

I have cheering news this morning for any horses who might be slumping under the weight of an inferiority complex. It is this: clever though Man is, he can still be improved by a

though Man is, he can still be improved by a little horse sense.

This is the conclusion I have drawn from the announcement that MENSA, that assemblage of superbrains, is putting a candidate through some intensive training for an international contest to be held in London on Saturday.

The event is being organized by Invicta, makers of Master Mind, the deductive coloured necessarily that Sherlock Hollings would have game that Sherlock Holmes would have

The MENSA candidate is Nicholas Mitchell. aged 25, a trainee actuary, from Hampstead, London. He has been put through practice designed to make him impervious to

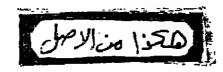
such distractions as exploding flashlights, dropped articles, moved chairs, coughs and nervous laughter (though not his own, presun-able).

Ably).

Horses being sot ready for ceremonial occasions have to undergo similar preparation, I am reliably informed. And even though their IQ must be lower than Mr Mitchell's (177), they soon latch on to what is expected of them. More than that, they have been known to put many a fainting Guardsman to shame on hot days.

To keep his grey matter in trim for the Master Mind contest, Mr Mitchell has been spending the weekends at Cambridge University's department of advanced mathematics, playing against a computer. I am assured his

playing against a computer. I am assured his success rate is high



Sudden wealth brings new sense of importance

by Derry Hogue

socialist and non-socialist but he is in favour of Statoil The North Sea oil and gas has only brought difficulty of oil and gas finds. Instead sides of the electoral tence, control and not so much on discoveries have taken Norto its relations with Russia, it is of vital strategic significations to what is logy as because of the need dinavian much to face a relations with Russia are hove built up the world's now developing as the most for integrated economic greatly enhanced and yet fall to be increasingly tence, biggest military installation important political question: planning, and because he complicated standing in its although this would appear on the Kolz peninsula, just to be a slight exaggeration east of the land border.

terps emerging from the ted through the Christian private than he makes out the unicament. September 12 elections for the unicament. Storting (Parliament).

In one sense, the elections and Christian parties, the Conservatives were able to remove many of the rural speed because of her good in the EEC—and voters returned to their traditional private than he makes out the public. Likewise Mrs Brundtland's career should only wax. She not only has a popular remove many of the rural speed because of her good in the EEC—and voters and in an area of 50 sests returned to their traditional in an area of 50 sests returned to their traditional

picked up time. This is particularly important because the election also saw a swing to the Conservatives elsowhere, and to the Christian Democrats from the Centre Party, whose representation in the Storting has fallen to 12 seats from 21 seats in 1973.

Cities fear state power

issues, will be looking within itself on the ion of further state

Resulf Steen, and vice chairman, Mrs Gro Harlem Brandriand, who is Minister

'Grey zone' at sea adds to poor relations with Russia

To its immediate neighbours. Norway now equals Sweden as the main centre of focus in the north, ending what was for so long an adaptited inferiority complex about being the provincial cousins. This new-found attention is even sharper than that of Sweden as the marren of the provincial cousins. This new-found attention is even sharper than that of Sweden as the marren of the provincial cousins. This new-found attention is even sharper than that of Sweden as the marren of the south of the provincial cousins. This new-found attention is even sharper than that of Sweden as the marren of the south of mitted inferiority complex the next few years and there about being the provincial is likely to be increased attention is even sharper than that of Sweden among with its giant neighbour, will attention is even sharper than that of Sweden among with its giant neighbour, will are which remains unfrozen with its giant neighbour, will in winter and is the most where Norway's liberal wery delicate balance: It will to, the North Sea and the voice has been backed up by the world's highest per tension and yet remains solid tootribution.

Earlier this month: Mr.

Michael Manley, Prime in defining a border to minimize tension in the region by prohibiting in defining a border to on its soil although it supports regular Nato exercises of the visit Norway and Circle.

by Derry Hogue

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mostly in Africa, particularly
East Africa, Embassies have as the grey zone, is of about been set up in Nairobi and 25,000 sq miles, and an Dar es Salaam solely to impasse has been reached expand Norway's quite passionate national belief in a Soviet-Norwegian control of the same world economic order.

The disputed area, known the grey zone, is of about man invasion violating Nor25,000 sq miles, and an wegin neutrality during the impasse has been reached with the setting-up of inite.

Circle. quick landing should any The Norweglans want the crisis occur.

border to be taken from a It was only earlier this line heading north-east, the year that these Nato exerline heading north-east, the median line, to take into account the continental shelf of the arctic island of Spitzbergen (Svalbard) over which they have had sovereignty for the past 52 years. The Russians want the border to be based on a sector line heading due north border to the west of the now fully normalized and well to the west of the relations with Germany, ending what was such a sersi-

new world economic order. young fishing stocks in the continue to be close with no This conscience cannot be region. Although further more than the expected dismissed on the grounds talks are expected in Mosproblems to be sorted out that such a policy can only cow next month, Norway has over fishing zones. It was at lead to increased Norwegian reserved for itself the right the southern limits, of the lead to increased Norwegian reserved for itself the right the southern limits, of the trade opportunities. Already to maintain controls in an Norwegian 200-mile offshore overlapping zone it has zone a few weeks peo that such as textiles, clothing and declared for limits overlapping zone it has zone a few weeks peo that shoes, have suffered directly extending 200 miles east suicted entry of competition from countries with a cheap labour force.

But if Norway has gained present access to fishing its greater ecohomic sprength stocks nor even the potential the southern limits, of the Norwagian 200-mile offshore zone a few weeks peo that are mination to maintain its extended boundaries. British readed boundaries. British carries were ordered out after it was discovered the prestige in the Third World, present access to fishing the present access to fish access to fish

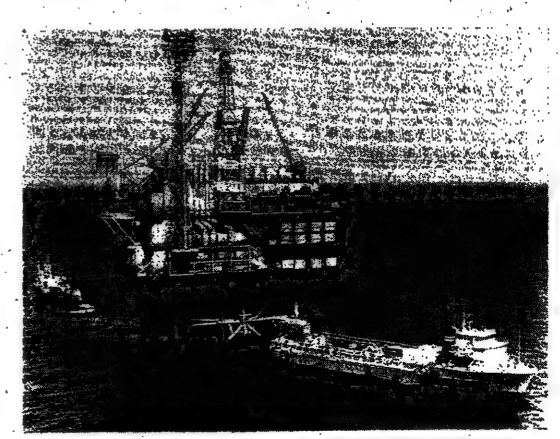
It takes a Norwegian to export sand to the Sahara!

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An oil-drilling platform being fitted out at the BMV shipyard, Bergen

Shipping grapples with crisis

by Peter Hill

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tion looked set for many tankers and uneconomic gian casualties. But Mr Ber- few weeks managed to sur- greater balance in the mar-years ahead. But when the freight rates. gesan and others have sur- mount a serious financial ket are being isonardized

out or me chaos. More rai-ures are expected and more rescue bids will be ineri-able, unless there is a signif-icant improvement in world trade soon which will soak up some of the surplus ton-nage now lying idle, more owners will find themselves under pressure from credi-tors.

Gross earnings will rise slightly this year

The impact of the world able income without reductively shipping industry can be allowances.

The Government has income way or another that it will be some time before shareholders finally that it will be some time before shareholders finally that it will be some time before shareholders finally that it will be some time before shareholders finally that it will be some time before shareholders finally that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced a restructuring through the produced in the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time before shareholders finally through the produced of the high courts so it is likely that it will be some time the produced of the high courts and th

year and a peak of 9,355m troner in 1974. tanker sector, 93 per cent of grace periods on long-term the Norwegian fleet is still financing, and the distinction bas been encouraged by the stitutes a genuine aid elefirm comment's clear and ment of a large 25 aid elefirm commitment to maintain and develop a strong shipping industry. But industry leaders remain con-cerned on a number of issues which could underthe industry's future. not least their government's restrictive attitude towards

shown its resilience in the been that between the end past and with a modern and of June and the end of Seperations fleet to be detember the Norwegian ship building industry increased the size of its order book overriding all other considerations is concern at the 1,024,980 tons and was one effects of government policies worldwide in relation to the problems of the ship that time against the general building industry. Norway's trend of continued reductions in the storms of the ship building industry. Norway's tions. shipowners have no doubt at all that the attempts by

as in many other shipbuild since the royal commission ing nations, employment in to review the banking system shipbuilding tends to be in was set up more than three areas of already high unemployment or in communities gave the banks a reasonably where there is little alternations. where there is little alterna-tive employment.

tive employment.

A variety of measures has been introduced to assist the industry. They include an ensing of credit terms so that Norwegian owners ordering ships in Norwegian owners ordering ships in Norwegian reedit to 80 per cent of the contract price repayable over 12 years and to compensate for the sap between Norwegian and foreign yard prices; an owner is able to deduct up to 25 per cent of contract price from his tax able income without reduct.

Commercial bank shares last handsomely outperformed the rest of the Bank of Norway markedly eased its stance on credit control. But this year shares have drifted lower despite easier credit conditions, more optimistic noises in bank annual reports and dividend prices; an owner is able to deduct up to 25 per cent of compensation should be based on ner asset value.

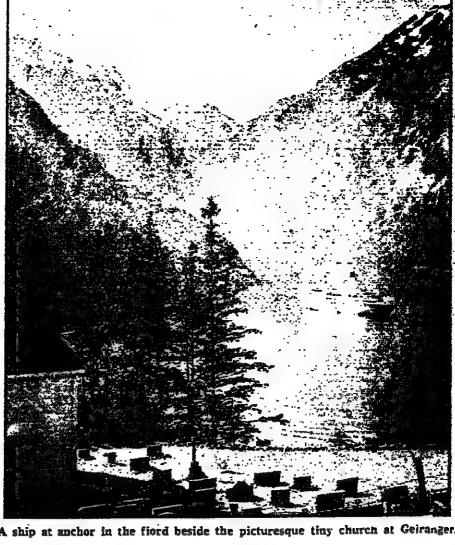
a slight rise on last year—activities. Measures have with net freight earnings also been introduced to also slightly up on 1976 at advance orders for govern-8,720m kroner. But the inment-owned vessels but the dustry's overall current most controversial element account surplus this year is of the Norwegian shipbuild-expected to fall to 1,970m ing package has been its kroner compared with campaign to attract orders 2,248m kroner the previous from developing countries, year and a peak of 9,355m kroner in 1974.

But, apart from the reduced interest rates and

Through this method the Government remains within the shipbuilding export credit guidelines laid down by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and

restrictive attitude towards Norwegian shipping activities under foreign flags by participation in internation al joint ventures, coupled secured from developing with worries about protectionist shipping policies expressed by rivals, the being deployed by both developed and developing countries and the growth of Eastern block shipping.

The tightly knit and substitute as the scheme was introduced into sult of the Government's sult of the Government's acceptance that public appointees should reflect political representation in the Storting and there are still a number of constitutions. While the underlying philosophy of the Government's democratization plans is to shift the commercial The tightly knit and guidelines been contravened. In tightly secretive Norwegian shipbuilding aid package shown its resilience in the been that between the end said more than the shareholders.



State's bigger role in control of banks

by Ronald Pullen

reelection Labour-Socialist coalition credit control policy. are exempt because of the last September finally dashed So far this year it has particular economic difficultionly hopes the Norwegian proved difficult to confine ties of the region—that their banking system may have credit expansion of the comprehence of the control bank would have the control bank would have the control bank would have hour government

Commercial bank shares

One alternative that has been mooted has been that compensation should be based on net asset value. The dispute has moved into

ment's legislation to place more state appointees on the board of representatives, the body responsible for appoint-ing the bank's executive lirectors

Trends towards a more socially responsible attitude

For one thing, the last couple of years has seen a trends towards a more socially responsible attitude on behalf of the whole of Norwegian industry with no obvious deleterious effects. For another, there has been It has been successful some reassurance as a re-Since the scheme was intro-duced orders worth about acceptance that public

the world recession, greater attention has had to be paid the international shipping The author is Industrial Cortinis year to the mushroom industry to bring about a respondent, The Times.

requirement and the sharp the Government told comrise in personal consumption, mercial and savings banks of which in turn has meant a southern Norway—banks which in turn has meant a southern Norway—bank
the high priority being given to with head offices in the north

mercial and savings banks the central bank would have within the stated budgetary to be increased by another limits. In part this has been per cent which would take a due to a sharp increase in further 1.000m kroner out lending by the State banks of the system.

and this has reactivated a growing complaint in the private banking sector that they policy, however, there has are having to bear too much been a sharp increase in

in lending, especially by the banks no longer see them in lending, especially by the commercial banks, forced the Government to increase needs of Norwegian commercial banks from 6! to their own right in the whole sper cent and the savings international banks from 5! to 6 per cent in July, as well as increasing the penalty rate of interest for banks that failed to match those reserve requirements.

ments.

Earlier this month there came a further tightening of the author is Banking Corthe monetary screws when respondent, The Times.

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North Sea riches regarded as a mixed blessing

by Rolf Gooderham

The Ekofisk Bravo blow-out April still has a soberinfluence on Norway's

portion united by the conscious public was shocked both by the disaster itself and the serious gaps in organization and equipment exposed dur-ing the capping and clean-up

An official inquiry report, An infattal induly report, debase for parliamentary debase spon, places the plame squarely on Ekofisk operator Phillips Petroleum (which has done nothing for the already poor image of the foreign oil companies) and the supervisory per-roleum directorate. Maners bave not been helped by potentially serious on Ekofisk last i, which prompted new drilling regulations. Companies can expect more of these costly direc-

Bravo affair

be believe that their North Sea's hard-pressed off shore supplies industry, meet, for example, has come subody believes this to be industry of the popular o

re-present proposals for alloto finance such countercaing 16 blocks, dropped cyclical policies. However, after the Bravo disaster since total government.

Apart from boosting industry, this concession is meant put at a massive 150,000m

offshore development plans, narrow win in the September production will be achieved,

in the satisfaction of the satisfaction of state firm's own development of the satisfaction of some present certains on Norwegas, and fishment. Which operational safety is ermen who claim that these same and control over development the satisfaction of 90 million of 9

equivalents roughly seven times Norway's present

Again, the petrochemical complex at Banble in southpairs and maintenance an energy gap expected after assignment in the future 1979-80.

Apart from boosting industry, this concession is meant to ensure a steady flow of hydrocarbons through the 1980s. The Government is likely to keep the pace cautious, though.

Of the parliamentary parties, only the Conservatives support the idea of more concessions now. But they and the Government disagrees violently over the latter's proposal to award one of the most promising North Sea blocks exclusively to the state oil company to the state thing of a monster by the sioning, and cost escalation lion tons higher). A further non-Socialist opposition, have boosted Norway's 2,000 million tons or so are Statoil has had its leading foreign debt, postponed the expected to be found in non-Socialist opposition, have boosted Norway's 2,000 million tons or so are Statoil has had its leading foreign debt, postponed the expected to be found in role in Norwegian oil activi-points at which a balance of structures not yet drilled ties confirmed by Labour's payments surplus and peak south of the 62nd Parallel.

A constoversial proposal to election. For instance, and cut 1977 output from could be achieved in 1986begin drilling off Norway's foreign companies can an estimated 27 million tons 87 at a level of about 75
fish-rich northern coasts expect a stake in new blocks of oil equivalent to only 17
next year has been abandoned, to the satisfaction of state firm's own developenvironmentalists and fishermen who claim that these
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Earlier fears that offshore

The worst problems today present ceiling on Norwegian are on Statford, where all oil production of 90 million tons set by Parliament in

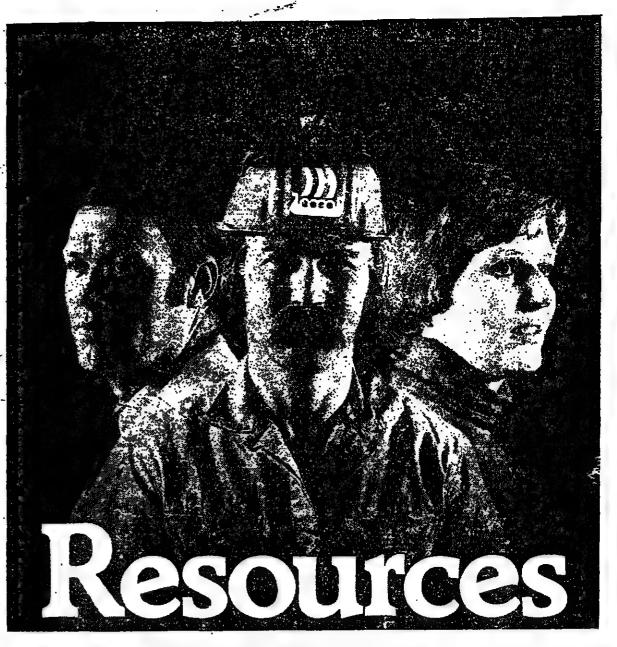
could last longer this way.
This attitude hardly suits the other West Enropean countries, who have hinted that a higher output would be welcome. But Norway's prickly nationalism demands prickly nationalism demand full control over resource tions of outside interference

Norway's own consump Notway's own consump-tion is about eight million to nine million tons of oil equivalents. One suggested use of the hefty bydro-car-bon surplus this leaves is the production of electricity for domestic consumption for domestic consumption and plans are already afoo fired power station to meet

Plentiful supplies of hydroelectric power have given Norway the world's highest per tapits electricity consumption. But the limits to this "white coal" are now in sight, thanks not least to Remaining hydroelectric re-sources will become increas ingly costly to develop at a time when conservationist are making strong objection: way's scenic rivers.

This problem can be ckled in two ways: a cur back in extravagant energy consumption or the building power stations fuelled by il, gas or miclear energy.

The nuclear alternative i highly impopular in a country raised on horror tries of the bomb and a as highly inefficient the use of oil and gas to produce



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Exports pay for high living standards

by Derry Hogue

The price of remaining a

Norway's three biggest ex-The price of remaining a small yet rich country means having one of the world's highest coars of production. There would be little point competing for exports with countries of low wage rates or against glant nations which can offer economies of scale.

So to maintain a cheerful circle of growing exports paying for such a high standard of living, the Norwagians are looking at least 10 years ahead.

They can afford the time. It is next year that oil and gas exports will begin bringing in such large exports will be an overall in such large export will be an overall in the set up an office in Singapore to wagians are of 6.8 per cent in world and gas exports will be an overall in the standard of 6.8 per cent in world and gas exports will be an overall in the standard and gas exports will be an overall in the standard and gas exports will be an overall in the standard and gas exports will be an overall in the standard and gas exports will be an overall in the standard and gas exports will be an overall in the standard and gas exports will be an overall in the standard and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of 6.8 per cent in the standard of 6.8 per cent in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and gas exports will be an overall in the problems of the world and the problems o port markets are Britain (29.5 per ceut) Sweden (14.2

there will be an overell increase of 6.8 per cent in Malaysia, Indonesia and the tion of electricity into a varicus of 6.8 per cent in Philippines. The council has ety of metal based industries, providing a solid export base in Jiddah and Baghdad and last plans for an office soon aluminium—the country's in Dubai to look for export before the new oil bounce.

The message clearly stated by business and industries in Dubai to look for export the new of the second area in the Middle East.

But Europe, particularly such highly specialized products in the immediate future behaviour costs will become largely irrelevant, pricing themselves out of their traditional export these drilling, platform building, tive cost level in traditional oild established industries, specialized oil and gas rig industries and these areas

notably shipping and service equipment and new outside oil, gas and alumin-paper and pulp are decidedly delivery rechniques. jum are standing still for the ailing. Norway's three biggest ex-

As with nearly all national questions the differences between interest groups and political parties seem more

wealth and where the metals industries (last year worth £875m in exports) had taken 40 per cent of energy.

The aluminium industry has benefited particularly from the chesp energy. It is also going to benefit further from the world's present oil shortage as this becomes re-flected in greater demand for aluminium components to make lighter, and there-for less petrol consuming, cars. And Norway is the traditional supplier of alu-minium to the neighbouring Swedish car industry.

Norway is also the biggest supplier of primary alumi-nium to Europe. But while there is little prospect of this position changing, the industry is going to have to level out its production (in tomages, if not price) be-cause of some recent domes-

tic developments.

The most important has been the limit of water nower. This was emphasized by an unusually dry summer this year which caused Norway to import electricity from Swedish nuclear stations, something unimaginable even 18 months ago. Although an equally un-usual mild and wet autumn has replenished the dams,

the Government is now hav-ing to look to future alternative energy sources. So strong is the environnental view in politics that few, if any more bydro sta-tions will be built. The aluminium industry is as a result investing heavily in ways of reducing the amount of energy it uses and year

of energy it uses and yet maintain its The industry, which en ploys 30,000 people and accounts for 8 per cent of the workforce, will easily manage this because the 23 per cent world price rise last year not only reflected a recovery from a bad year in 1975 but points to the prob-lems of countries outside

energy costs. It is also a good exampl of the Norwegian metals in-dustry in general diversityinto technology ing more and out of basic resources. The biggest aluminium company, the Ardal og Sunn-dal Verk, ASV, which em-ploys 7,300 people, now has half its workforce engaged in manufacture, and this trend into finished products

Norway in meeting higher

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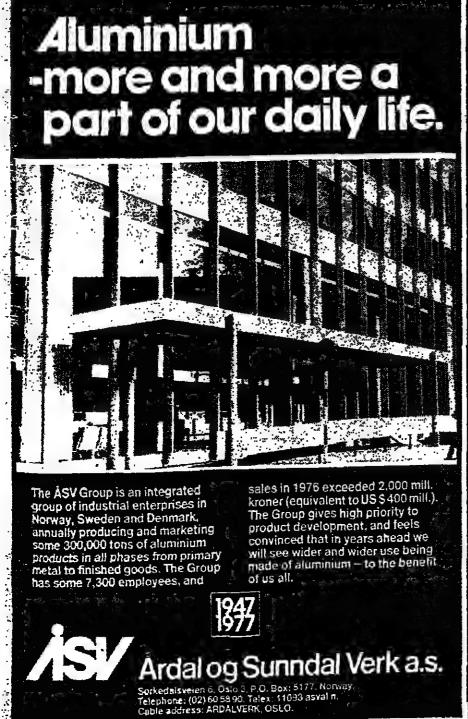
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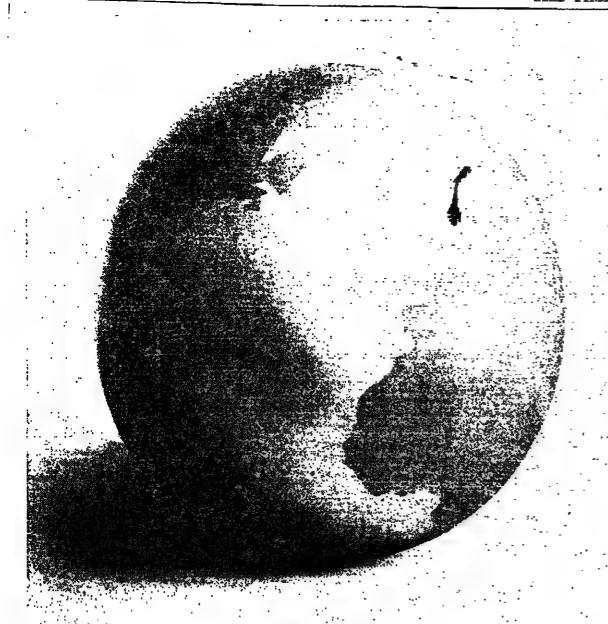
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by Derry Hogue

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However, to an outsider it would appear that Norway has aftered very little, unlike so many societies that find themselves auddenly much richer.

A walk around Oslo will not entice a jaded European or North American looking for night life; there are go seamy quarters. Instead, the city retains the charm of low-scale buildings, neatly maintained streets and parks and a feeling of clean and easy moving order that extends to well-scrubbed trams.

As in most Western societies there has been a falling in church attendances. However, nearly 80 per cent of marriages still take place within the church and it is still considered unusual, though no longer rare, if a baby is not baptized.

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The outward sign of this dominant role of Sweden in wedes, although the Norwegians would counter that they also appear less

But perhaps the strongest enduring feature has been toes and fish. The greates the importance of family affluence has seen Nor life. Earlier this year a wegians choosing a much Cabinet minister failed to they still prefer to cook it at home rather than for a visiting politician encourage a restaurant because of a previously-society. And being a small content of the content of arranged family gathering.

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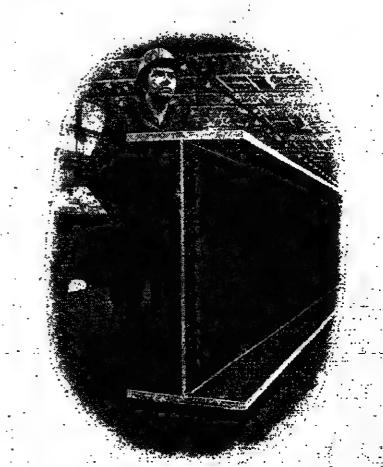
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THE PAY OF THE FORCES

The anguestioning loyalty of obliterated, by a rise in food and assessed the loss of comparabithe armed forces to the Government of the day and the policies . Their experience has not been which it pursues is something unique Civilian pay awards durwhich Britain has long been able to take for granted. There is still no evidence to suggest that one might; seriously doubt it. Discontent over pay and conditions is now, however, so comprehensive and so obsessive that the Government will have to consider during the next six months how far it can go towards reliev-ing it. Otherwise the mutual trust and confidence which we have come to expect might bedeeply eroded.

The same of the sa

Until 1970 the servicemen was a kept servant. He lived free off the state but earned a relatively low income in addition. Under the military salary scheme, however, he is now paid at rates com-parable with those of equivalent civilian trades, is return for which he has to pay tack the state for his food and accom-modation. What he should earn and how much he should pay back, is assessed annually by the Armed Forces Pay Review Body whose recommendations have been accepted almost automatically by successive governments.

for the last seven years.
Until 1975 the forces were largely satisfied with their lot. Discontent has grown only during the last two years of Government pay restraint, and particularly since last April when a Phase-2 increase was almost obliterated, and in some cases more than

accommodation charges.

ing the same period have been oumatched by inflation and every sector of society has felt itself to be personally victimized. The services case however is that they have been been priodictanced by they have been buidistanced by wage drift which has allowed civilians to supplement their incomes by working overtime or enjoying the perquisites of an expense security. expense account

In consequence an average private soldier grossing £51.55 a week feels rather worse off than the striking firemen whose job-he is struggling to perform. Comparability is always difficult. Servicemen still receive free uniforms, or uniform allowances in the case of officers (though officers complain that these are usually madequate), generous leave, in some cases travel allow-ances and, where applicable. boarding school allowances for their children—although these by no means cover the whole costs and are subject to tax when the soldier is stationed in Britain. Similarly the rent for a married quarter is not untair, but is not particularly attractive and is often more than the soldier would have to pay on an average mortgage if he bought his own property. Many soldiers do in-deed now buy their own homes and leave their wives behind in them—a trend which is causing some concern.

The forces themselves have

lity at between 20 per cent and 25 per cent, and the Review Body itself has acknowledged that there has been a loss, without staining the extent of it. While direct comparisons are difficult, the services are certainly not among the better paid sectors of

Bociety now.

Dissatisfaction is partly psychological. Without a union or association to represent them, servicemen feel frustrated and forgotten. It would be a pity if they now felt encouraged to start such a professional body, despite Mr Mulley's blessing. In the long term it would probably be counter-productive. It must be said that there seems to be no great enthusiasm for one any-

But their very lack of representation makes it important that the Government should listen to their case, and should be seen to be doing so. The forces themselves largely recog-nise the general need to abide by the 10 per cent guidelines when their next award is due in the spring. But they could be helped indirectly by, say, a deci-sion not to raise food and accommodation charges again—and even perhaps to reduce them. There is considerable sympathy for the services now and such a decision would not be unpopular. Recruiting is buoyant but it will not always be so. If the Government loses the confidence of the services now, it might find it difficult to win it back again.

THE LATEST EXAMPLE OF THE BRITISH DISEASE

serious enough. What is potentially catastrophic is the impact

that this latest manifestation of the so-called British disease"

Yesterday's decision by Swan Hunter's 1,700 ships' outflitters to continue their overtime ban is, to the casual observer, as inexplicable as it was unexpected. The possibility that this famous and nuch-respected name in shipbuilding might lose its share of the Polish order recently negotiated has become, in a matter of hours, a virtual certainty.

For many years now, outfitters have sought pay parity with those elitists of the shipbuilding industry, the boilermakers. The current campaign, like many be-fore it, is aimed at this target. The men's claim may, or may not, be justified: hur both their local leaders, and their national officials, are clearly convinced that bigger things are at stake, and have urged them to resume normal working. The advice was sound. The outfitters' decision to ignore it was immediately followed by a statement from British Shippuilders that the task of re-allocating the order would begin almost at once, and by a vocably lost to the group, then redundancy notices would have to go out to over 700 men.

will have on overseas opinion. The world's shiphuilders are facing as acute a crisis as are their counterparts in international steel: in every major industrialized country, there are too many yards facing too few orders, with little immediate prospect of the situation improving. With the active, enthusiastic, and well-publicized assistance of Mr Callaghan, British yards succeeded in winning the £115m Polish order for 22 ships and two crane barges in the face of strong opposition from their competitors in Japan and other countries. The methods used to secure the con-tract were, and will probably continue to be, strongly criticized on a number of counts. It has been said, for example,

that too much public money was taken up—£28m of the original £65m in the shipbuilding intervention fund-to keep the price advice that if the work was irre- appeal to the Poles. Some have argued that the provision of 100 per cent credit was over generous to the point of foolishness: that Measures of this kind are the Poles may eventually use the

ships to compete with those of Western lines; that Britain is freeing Polish shipbuilding capa-city that will be used to the benefit of Eastern block and developing countries; that failure to publish details of the fine print in the contract have aroused justifiable suspicions; and so on.

Many people will sympathize with some, if not all, of these criticisms. But it is fair to say that the amount of money that will have to be spent to complete the order for Poland will prove to have been wisely invested if it wins British shipbuilders enough time to put their yards in order, and thus to restore the industry to health and vigour. This can only happen if all those actively involved in shipbuilding -and indeed, those in the allied trades which serve it-work together. The outfitters at Swan Hunter may feel that they will not be among the 700 men made redundant, since there is abundant work for them. But they should ask themselves how much longer such work will be forthcoming from the world's ship-owners in the face of such blatant self-interest and stu-

AMNESTY IN YUGOSLAVIA

International opinion probably played some role in Yugoslavia's welcome decision to anmesty a substantial number of political prisoners. Belgrade is now under closer scrutiny than usual as host to the 35-nation conference reviewing the Helsinki agreement of 1975, in which human rights have a significant place. Nevertheless, the main reasons for the amnesty are likely to be internal. Yugoslavia is not as responsive to outside pressure as its neighbours to the east. Its interests are different. Whereas the Soviet Union and eastern Europe need the support of western public opinion for detente and must therefore take some account of its susceptibilities, Yuzoslavia's main interest is to establish and demonstrate its independence from East and West. It tends to feel that if it makes a concession to western pressure it will have to balance this with a concession to Soviet pressure. Therefore, the best course is not to respond—or not to be seen to respond-to pressure from either side. Some types of western pressure, therefore, risk being counterproduc-

There are, however, pressures inside the country which are more difficult to ignore, but which are also more difficult to accommodate. Mr Kardelj, the second man in the hierarchy, admits very frankly in his writings that the development of the political system is lagging behind

Sir. Patrick Brogan reports amus-

November 24) on the absurdities of

the female attempt to castrate all

the ostensibly male words in the English language which embrace

also the female sex in order to

render our language hermaphro-

These personicidal personiacs have in fact, been caught with their trousers down!

The origin of the word "man" does not lie in any antedeluvian male supremacism. In all the

Teutonic languages the word has had the generic sense of "human

being " as well as denoting the male

gender. Further back the word emerges from the Indogermanic

form: "men—", "mon—" mean-

Therefore, the primary meaning of the word refers to the intelli-

The gender of 'man'

From Mr Neil Hamiton

the social and economic progress of the country. It is a one-party system in which a great deal of power has devolved upon the organs of self-management and the existence of conflicting interests is fully acknowledged. The result is unique and confusing. Seen from eastern Europe Yugoslavia looks free almost to the point of anarchy. The pur-suit of wealth is relatively unrestrained; western newspapers are only very occasionally seized; foreign travel is almost unrestricted (there are still a few regrettable exceptions); discussion is freer than in eastern Europe. Seen from the West the constraints on free speech and political activity can still look burdensome and sometimes un-

Within the country much the same balance is drawn. However, even critics of the system mostly doubt whether a multi-party system would work in a country so divided among different nationalities, some of which can still be moved by romantic feelings reminiscent of the nineteenth century. Political parties would quickly come to represent the interests of competing republics rather than alternative national policies or nation-wide interest groups. The problem, therefore, is how to continue the journey away from the dictatorship of a single party, which long ago proved too restrictive, with-out losing the benefits as well as the disadvantages of a central authority.

Mr Kardelj, who admits a con-

ric of human beings as contrasted with brures. It is no weakness in

the above argument that the con-trest daily diminishes.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your

United Oxford and Cambridge

Private health equipment

Sir, Your Science Editor states (November 24) "Most surprising is the fact that the only radiologists

in the world to introduce this schuner into private practice are in Iran. No doubt this is due to the wealth generated by private practice in Iran, but I know that a

From Mr Alan 8. Shrank

siderable discrepancy between proclaimed democratic principles on the one hand and practice on the other, has been propagating the concept of " self-management pluralism . . . or the pluralism of interests of self-managed communities integrated in the sys-tem of delegates". The idea is to contain pluralism within the more flexible and representative democratic structure which the new constitution is supposed to provide, but it faces at least two major problems. In the first place the role of the party becomes less and less clear in such a system. Already it cannot issue directives of an east European type, and Mr Kardelj now says it represents only one specific complex of ideological and political interests in a plural system. It is not a political force above these interests. At the same time it is supposed to become the leading ideological and political

force of the majority. Thus party men can be forgiven for being confused about their role and their power, and many will wish to see it more clearly asserted. This is the other problem facing Mr Kardelj-his ideas are not universally wel-comed. The next stage in Yugoslavia's development therefore remains uncertain. The country could move into an experimental stage of greater democratization or it could draw back towards attempts to reassert central political control. The amnesty suggests that the more democratic tendencies are for the moment in the ascendant.

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NEIL HAMILTON,

University Club, -

November 24.

group of radiologists in Northern France wished to purchase a scan-ner for their private practice, but the French Government refused to

grant an import licence.

The reason given was that until the state hospitals were able to afford scanners, the facility should not be available in private practice. In this country the Health Services Board has the power to control development in private hospitals. where this might prejudice the service in NHS hospitals, so the power exists here too. Since British radiologists are unlikely to have the funds to purchase a scanner any-way, such coursel may never be

exerted here. Yours faithfully. A. B. SHRANK, 20 Crescent Place, Town Walls, Shrewsbury, Shropshire,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Discontent in the services over pay

From Mr Philip Goodhart, MP for Bromley and Beckenham (Conservative)

Sir. Lord Chalfont (November 28)

Sir, Lord Chalfout (November 28) is certainly right when he says that servicemen are vociferous in their complaints about supplies and equipment. In the past three years the Government has firmly maintained that the bills of successive defence cuts do not fall on weapons of the Forces, but it is not always easy to differentiate between the reeth and the tail.

For example, is a tank transporter a troth or a bit of a tail? It is not a fighting wehicle, but without adequate tank transporters our make cannot be deployed to the area in which they are supposed to fight. On a recent visit to BAOR, I and my collearnes were told that meny of our tank transporters were older than the servicemen who drive them, and that some of these vehicles had already mavelled 250,000 miles If there are no more cuts these transporters are the in he replaced in the early 1980s.

Unlike Lord Chalfout, however, I have cound discuss discussions applied to the cound discuss of manufacture of mail discuss.

Unlike Lord Chalfont, however, I bave found that most of my discussions with servicemen of all ranks in the past six months concentrated almost exclusively on onestions of pay and pay allowances and charges. Apart from the fact that the purchasing power of the take home pay Apart from the fact that the purchasing power of the take home pay of many servicemen has declined by 25 per cent in the past two years, the form of the last report of the Review Body on Armed Forces Pay has provoked a storm of criticism. This disastrous document made it look as though those in authority had not snoken out vigorously on behalf of the men and women they are responsible for. As your article by a "servine officer" (November 24) pointed out:

"Most servicemen will be unaware of the struggles which have taken place so discreenly between their sensor officers and government servints on the question of pay and allowances. Many servicemen believe, unfairly, that they have

been let down..."
This feeling is indeed widespread and since April senior officers have become much more outspoken in their criticism of the decline in stantheir criticism of the decline in standards imposed by the Government. This must be right, otherwise many servicemen would lose faith in their senior officers, as well as their political masters. Apart from insisting that the Armed Forces should be treated as a special case, the next recort of the Review Body on Armed Forces Pay must make it plain that senior commanders and their staffs have complained vigorously and effectively.

Meanwhile, I note that more than half of the riflemen in the Green Jacket Rattalion, which is now providing fire protection for my convenience.

stituency, are eligible for rent rebate. The take home pay of some of these riflemen is £12 a week less than that of a London fireman with the equivalent length of service. Yours faithfully, PHILIP GOODHART, House of Commons. November 29.

From Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Mayfield (retd)

Sir, Lieutenant-Colonel Morgan Llewellyn, in his recent remarks about Forces' pay, made on a local radio station and much publicized, radio station and much publicized, said much the same as many other people have been saying, and writing, for some time. The difference is that when it is said by a serving officer, a Commanding Officer. The last Commanding Officer I know of to have expressed publicly his views on policy in your columns) earned disapproval from some quarters at the time but, as far as I know, no harm of any sort was done and he still pursues a deservedly distin-guished career in the Army-very

rightly so.

The shemefully low rates of pay in the Armed Forces, as little as £20 a week "take home pay" for a married man, obvious enough before the firemen's strike to those directly concerned, have become even more starkly apparent to us all as a result of the strike and the consequent in-volvement of the Services. While I do not doubt that those senior offi-cers, whose responsibility it is to see that those under their command are properly looked after, have done and are doing their best for their subordinates, they must surely be appalled when they reflect upon just how far pay in the Services has been allowed to fall behind comparable civilian wages and salaries. Indeed, since most civilian on increase their wages consider sataries. Indeed, since most civilians can increase their wages considerably by working overtime, whereas a serviceman is poid no extra regardless of how many hours he works, the situation seems to be almost beyond comparison.

Like many other soldiers, serving and retired, I find it difficult to stack much credence to the feati-

attach much credence to the feasi-bility of involving the Services with the trades unions, as has apparently been mooted by the Minister of Defence and others. But if the TUC can ensure that the Services are properly paid, where others have blatantly failed, perhaps there is something, to be said for the idea after all after all.
Yours faithfully, RICHARD MAYFIELD.

There are three main features of the civil scheme:

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(c Advice (published annually) to
the Lord Chancellor on the running
of the scheme both from The Low
Society and from the independent
advisory committee. This advice has
led to many improvements.

led to many improvements.

In the criminal system (a) is present in an unsatisfactory form.

(b) is minimal and (c) is non-existent. I agree with Mr Harris that there are problems of time arising from the suggestion that the grant of legal aid should be in the hands of lawyers rather than of the court. It is not the original grant of the

It is not the original grant of the order which causes the defects in

the present system but the extent of the legal work permitted under the

order.
The civil scheme makes con-

siderable use of the limited certifi-cate which respicts the amount of work done under the certificate pending further reference to the area committee. This should be adopted in the criminal system so

that when a case is committed to the Crown Court the question whether legal aid should be con-tinued and if so, under what con-ditions, would then be examined by

a committee of lawyers independent

BUGH MONTGOMERY
CAMPBELL,
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Control on the grant of a legal certificate; Control during the currency of

Ewhurst, Ramsdell, Basingstoke, Hampshire, November 27.

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Criminal legal aid From Mr Hugh Montgomery

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Sir, I should like to reply to the
letters from the Chairman of the
Bar Council and the Chairman of
the legal committee of the Justices'
Clerks' Society (November 22 and

I agree with Mr McNeill that the control of criminal legal aid raises problems meriting public raises problems meriting public discussion and that the problems are difficult to solve because justice, and personal liberty are involved, but I do not agree that there are only "considerations of mere financial expediency" to be weighted on the other side of the scales. Public confidence is year. weighed on the other side of the scales. Public confidence is a very important factor and I suggest that whereas on the whole the public's confidence is given to the civil legal aid scheme, it is noticeably absent from the system administrated by the criminal courts.

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stered by the criminal courts.

As regards Mr Harris's letter it is correct that the Widgery committee carefully considered the proposal that The Law Society should administer criminal legal aid and rejected it. The views of the committee on this aspect are on page 20 of the report under the heading "Existing system not unsatisfactory". Judging by his comments to the Royal Commission, I assume that the Lord Chief Justice has now changed his mind. Ten years have passed during which crime has unhappily been one of the biggest growth industries in the country. country.

Newsreel objectivity

From Mr Donald Barrington-Hudson Sir, I read with interest the review by your correspondent of Before Hindsight (November 18) with its portrayal of old film newsreel clips which give the impression that editorial policy was biased. I was the first journalist (Morning Post) to be appointed on the staff of a newsreel. As News Editor, commentator, and script writer, in the 1930s of the largest circulating newsreel in the world I would like to place on record that never at any time did I receive policy direc-tion and was allowed to write my

owp commentary.

When I made on one occasion a sarcastic remark concerning Mussolini who after sacking two ministers had taken over their portfolios, the Italian Embassy complained but the circulation of Pathe Gazene or my

commentaries were not curtailed.

In those pre-television days when
the mass of people were only able
to witness world events in action
by film camera coverage of world
events in a visit to a cinema, we
were only able to present editions

of 15 minutes in length. We had to work under cermin technical difficulties and restricted

The newsreels should have been The newsreels should have been half as long again, as I submit Before Hindsight should have been. It is my belief that one great service the free British newsreels performed was to make millions of people think about national and international affairs when hitherto, even with the advent of the popular press. too many, people were parochial in their outlook.

No newsreel, television or radio

No newsreel, television or radio commentator could deal in depth with the news but he could often give the first news of an important event projecting the actuality of the situation recorded by first class cameramen and like his radio counterpart spotlight main events with the main points. The executives of the film newsreels owed a great deal to the counterpart of jumplists. deal to the cooperation of inumalists in many parts of the world. I am yours faithfully.

D. BARRINGTON-HUDSON, Forest Court, Englefield Green, Surrey.

Preserving Burgh House

From Mr Frank Barton Sir, Miss Joanna Richardson is mistaken when she writes, auropos of Burgh House, that Camden (who are "wholly responsible for the building") "are obliged by law in maintain it". (The Times, November

The now considerable volume legislation relating to listed build-ings places no obligation on anyone to maintain a listed building. What it does do is to empower govern-men (notably local authorities) to oblige any owner of a listed building to do so. The only absolute obliga-tion that the legislation imposes is the obligation (on all owners) to seek listed building consent before altering the character of a listed building or before demokshing a listed building.

The framing of the listed building The framing of the listed building legislation can thus give rise to the anomalous situation in which a local authority is neglecting its own listed building responsibilities (not obligations) and at the same time obliging other owners to fulfil theirs—which is essentially the situation that Miss Richardson's letter is highlighting. Indeed the legislation cannot realistically decree that all listed

realistically decree that all listed buildings must be preserved since there are now over a third of a million of them. The legislation is so framed that it is the public readiness to foot the bill which effectively determines the level of preservation. It is thus an elegantly self-regulating piece of legislation designed to see that the public gers what it wants. Yours faithfully,

FRANK BARTON, 7 Orchard Street, Cambridge.

Modernization of the Lord's Prayer

From Dr A. F. Foster-Carter Sir. In his article against the modernization of the Lord's Prayer (November 26), Mr Higham speaks for a very large number of Anglicans who are weary of the endless succession of changes in their fami-liar forms of worship. The liturgical experts are clearly out of touch with the person in the pew and the reasons they give for their alterations are unconvincing. The line must be drawn somewhere and as Mr Higham rightly points out, the

Lord's Prayer is the only one that most people still know; why alter the familiar wording?

If we are honest we have to admit that no one can be absolutely sure of the original meaning of a number of passages in the Gospels
—including some of the savings and actions attributed to Jesus himself.
The clause in the Lord's Prayer— "Lead us not into tempration"-is a good example : In " Series 3", the experts give their imprimatur to the words- Do not bring us to the rest"—but this is only one of at least four possible alternative meanings given by Dr William Barclay in his book The Plain Man Looks at the Lord's Prayer, and he wisely concludes: "It may well be that in all our efforts at explanation we are allowing theological logic to take precedence over the natural human reaction of the heart."

The plain man has always had to

The plain than has always had to interpret these words for himself, in the light of his own understanding of the Gaspel, and it does not matter if his reading of them is not exactly the same as that of his neighbour. The really important fact—which constantly escapes the experts -is that our hearts react to these particular words because they have been used by our forebears and by generation after generation of Christian people in their search for God, and thus the words have become an irreplaceable link between us and that great cloud of witnesses If we break this link, we will impoverish not only ourselves but our successors. Yours faithfully,

A. F. FOSTER-CARTER, Myrtle Cottage, Vernham Dean. Andover, Hampshire.

From Mrs Elizabeth Williams sir, Clearly Martin Higham does not often pray with small children. I am, of course, anxious that the Lord's Prayer should become as used and as readily used by my five-year-old son and my three-way-old daughter as three-year-old daughter it is to so many people. But each time we do try to say it together at bedtime, I am struck by how extraordinary it must seem to them (even in comparison to the much more easily understood prayers of Sr Richard or St Francis, for example).

example).

The problem merely begins with which art, hallowed and trespasses —all words or phrases not in general use and clearly a stumbling block to really feeling at

Safeguarding the otter

Sir, Mr Franklin's letter of November 26 pais the case clearly for adding the otter to the endangered species list. The Welsh Water Authority species list. The Welsh Water Authority, having discussed the survival of the otter in many advisory committees throughout Wales, has decided to ban the killing and hunting of otters, on water and land associated with water in its ownership This relates meinly, but not entirely, to reservoirs and some lakes, but in addition the Water. Authority proposes to invite riparian owners in its area to follow suit if

owners in its area to follow suit it they so wish.

This policy necessitates the banning not only of shooting and trapping, but also of hunting, since even when no killing is intended, unintentional killing may occur, and in any result in a decline in preeding. may result in a decime in preeding. We have evidence of an increase in otter hunting in Wales over the last year and of two kills in 1976 and one probable kill in 1977. The response to this move by the Water Authority has been most encour-

aging
It is recognized that other factors,
are perhaps a

home with the prayer. The children cling to the one understandable section: "Give us this day our daily bread"—a small and possibly least important part of the prayer for us in the affluent West. It is thus, certainly at this stage in their lives, of dubious spiritual value to them, and may not it con-

value to them, and may not it continue to remain so if learnt parrot fashion, as is regreafully my own experience to some extent, having learnt it with very little initial understanding about 30 years ago? I am not denying the great difficulty in changing this universally known and central prayer. I do sympathize greatly with bostife feelings brought about by liturgical changes I do not muself want it changes. I do not museli want a

do want it for my children, for their better understanding and earlier awakening to the strength of prayers. Yours faithfully. ELIZABETH WILLIAMS, The Corner House, Leasebourre. Chipping Campden,

November 26. From the Rev C. G. Wilson. Sir, Martin Higham seemed a lirtle out of humour in his diarribe against the modernization of the Lord's Proyer and, it would seem of any form of worship

It is impossible to judge new forms of worship until their have

forms of worship until they have been used properly—that is preued, not experimented with. That is why nobody can judge the merits of any revision of wording so long as either they can continue to choose between seventeenth and twentieth century language or keep jumping from one

to the other.
The modern form of the Lord's Prayer is simple and true. Once one uses it in order to pray and not merely to savour the language one finds, not surprisingly, that it re-mains exactly what it always has been, the Lord's Preyer. Further-more, once one has become used to praying in one's own ordinary lan-guage it seems absolutely natural and one then wishes that there could be a final break with the too long redundant practice of interposing seventeenth century language, how-ever beautiful, between people and their prayers.

Yours faithfully, C. G. WILSON, St John's Vicarage, 14 Dane Bank Avenuc, Crewe. Novembor 28.

From Mrs B. M. Willmort Dobbie Sir, Some good news for Martin Highson: at Bath Abbey over the up-to-date version of "Seriex Three" some kindly hand has pasted the familiar Lord's Prayer. "Yours, faithfully,

B. M. WILLMOTT DOBBIE,

Gattrell,

Stanger Lang

Steway Lane, Barbeaston, November 27.

Mrs D Raikes

notably pollution, are perhaps a greater medace to the other, but like other Water Authorities, the W.W.A.

quality Every effort is being made to conserve wildlife in carrying out statutory duties of land drainage, and of meeting the increasing demands of recreation and amenity. The W.W.A. is assisting a Nature Conservancy Council survey of the ottor population in Wales with a grant and by obtaining information from buildfe. The Department of the Environment proposal needs the support of

is... devoting very considerable

both public and private owners and of all who are concerned with the survival of the otter in this country. Yours, etc.
DOROTHEA RAIKES,
Chairman, Regions! Fishing, Recreation and Amenity Advisory Committee of the Welsh Water Authority.

umbrian Way, Brecon. Powys. November 28.

From Mr Ronald Davics from pursuing the foreign pests—
cospu and mink? Yours &c. RONALD DAVIES, 38 Penn Grove Road. Hereford. November 28.

Human rights in Argentina
From the Argentine Charge
d'Affaires, a.i.

or Appures, a.t.

Sir, The front page of your edition of November 23 carries the impressive headline "Vance list of 7,500 missing Argentines" and announces that the American Secretary of State "is reported to have given the is reported to have given the Argentine Government a list of 7,500 people said to have disappeared in Argentina or been arrested without legal process for political reasons? Furthermore, the allegations seem to be confirmed inside by a report from your correspondent in Ruenes Aires under the spondent in Buenos Aires under the heading "Argentina given list of thousands missing". Today (November 29), The Times

publishes a letter from Martin Equals, Secretary General of Amnerty International where the handing over of the list is again mennioned.

On behalf of my Government, I wish to deny emphatically that such a list was ever presented to the Argentine audiorities. The reports are completely false and may impair the good relations which prevailed in the talks on human rights and terrorism which took place between the Secretary of State's party and the Government of Argentina. Yours faithfully, RAFAEL M. GOWLAND, Chargé d'Affaires, aj., Argentine Embassy.
9 Wilton Crescent, SW1.

Criticizing councils

From the Reverend A. L. Poulton
Sir, Many people will feel concerned at Lady Serota's latest
report about local councils in her capacity as Ombudsman.

If the natural reaction of the local authority is to deny its short-

comings, it is surely intolerable that it should be allowed to do so with impunity.

The only way to inject a higher. moral note into local government is to insist that councils are held accountable for their actions. Surely the system should be changed if the Ombudsman's findings are in no way enforceable. Yours faithfully,

A. L. POULTON, Lane End. Great Mollington, Chester. November 23.

Fact or science fiction? From Mr Michael Rubinstein

Sir, On Saturday evening, as you reported on Monday, November 28, a voice "purporting to be from outer space" was heard interrupting a Southern Television news programme. You report that the Inde-pendent Broadcasting Authority described this as a "hoax transmission, the first of its kind in Britain" and you quote it as saying: "We do not know what the source of it was or how it got on the air."

How then can the IBA—or anyone

else-be sure that the broadcast was a hoax Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL RUBINSTEIN, 4. 5 and 6 Raymond Buildings, Gray's Inn, WC1.

Welsh nicknames From Dr J. D. Spillane

Sir, Good Trevor Fishlock (November 26), I am sure, would also like to doff his hat to the Welsh village spinster whose overpowdered face earned her the nickname of Martha Self Raising Yours faithfully, J. D. SPILLANE, Prescelly,

Newport, Pembrokeshire,

Dyfed,

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 29: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace this morning.

he Prince of Wales, President, artended a Charity Evening at the arcus Tavern, Purfleet, in aid of the Prince's Trust and The Prince of Wales' Committee for the Welsh Environment Foundation.

CLARENCE HOUSE

November 29: Major-General D. N. H. Tyacke today had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Colonel in-Chief, The Light Infantry, upon relinquishing his appointment as Colonel of the

Major-General P. J. Bush also Major-General P. J. Bush also had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon assuming his appointment as Colonel of The Light Infantry.

The Lary Jean Rankin has succeeded the Hon Mrs John Mulholland as Lady-in-Walting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

KENSINGTON PALACE November 29: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester was present at a Säver Jubilee Presentation Concert given by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra at the Royal

Contert given by the Koyal Fanharmonic Orchestra at the Royal
Festival Hall this evening.
Miss Jane Egerton-Warburton
was in attendance.
The Duke of Gloucester, as
Grand Prior, this afternoon
attended The Grand Prior's Trophy
Competition of the Sr John Ambulance at the Seymour Hall and
presented awards to the winning
teams.

teams.

In the evening His Royal Highness was present at a dinner given by The Nazional Sporting Club in aid of The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal Fund at the Café Royal.

During the course of the evening His Royal Highness watched the Bantanesidte.

nweight Champlonship of Great Britain.

Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland
was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE

November 29: The Duke of Kent,
Patron of the National Army
Museum, this morning visited the
Museum and later attended the
Twenty-fourth Meeting of the
Council held at the Ministry of
Defence, Whiteball,
Captain James Greenfield was
in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
November 29: Princess Alexandra
this afternoon presented Long
Service Bedges to Queen's Nurses
of the Queen's Nursing Institute
at Merchant Taylors' Hall
The Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard
was in attendance.
Her Royal Highness was represented by Miss Mona Mitchell at
the Memorial Service for Major
Denis Beatson-Hird which was
held at the Star and Garter Home
for Disabled Sallors, Soldiers and
Astmen this morning.

The Duchess of Kent, as patron, will attend the Christmas party of the "Not Forgotten" Association at the Royal Mews, Buckingham

Palace, on December 15.

Princess Margaret ill

Princess Margaret has brouchlifs and, on the advice of her doctor, has cancelled all engagements for the rest of this week, Kensington ralace said yesterday.

Birthdays today

Mr Ivor Bulmer-Thomas, 72: Sir John Burder, 77; Mr W. H. Curr, 61: Sir Walter Counts, 65; Mr Justice Rees, 70; Mr Max Reinhardt, 62; Colonel Sir Ian Walker-

Latest appointments Latest appointments include:

Mr Austin Mitchell, Labour MP for Grimsby, to be perliamentary private secretary to Mr Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection.

Mrs Evangeline Hunter-Jones, a
magistrate in Inner London, to
be a member of the Gaming be a memor of the Caming Board for Great Britain from December 1. Lieutenant Colonel W. Pratt, secretary for public relations. Salvation Army International secretary for public relations. Salvation Army International Headquarters, to be chief secretary of the United States Western Territory, Los Angeles, from January 1. He will be succeeded by Major S. Armstrong, from Terrorts.

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wides, as chairman, opens exhibition of Royal Cartoons, Press Club, Shod Lane, City, in aid of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal Fund, 11; as president, presents prizes, Royal Ager Club's annual prizegiving. Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mail, 6.

Pall Mall, 6.

The Duke of Kent, as President of Scoat Association, amends meeting of committee of council, Baden-Powell House, 11.25; as president, attends committee meeting of Imperial War Museum, 12.50; attends Professional Wrestling Tournament, Albert Hall, in aid of Silver Jubilee Appeal Fund, 7.25.

Princess Alexandra attends recep-Princess Alexandra attends recep-tion for opening of Burlington International Fine Art Fair, Royal Academy of Arts, 7.15.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J. S. B. Bassett and Miss M. L. Dawson

The engagement is announced between John, son of Dr and Mrs K. H. Bassett, of Penarth, South Glamorgan, and Marilyn Lesley, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. L. Dawson, of Ashford Hill, Hampchina

Mr N. P. Bastian and Miss P. C. Marriott

The engagement is announced between Nicholas Paul, son of Mr and Mrs R. W. Bastian, of Mylor Church Town, Cornwall, and Paula, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. H. Marriott, of Harpenden, Hertfordsidre.

Mr D. W. Cheyne and Miss J. G. McA. Passey

The engagement is announced between David, second son of the late Erhadier W. W. Cheyne, DSO, OBE, and Mrs W. W. Cheyne, of 12 Crondace Road, SW6, and Gay, either daughter of Mr and Mrs D. A. Passey, of The Hall, Kirkby Fleetham, Northalierton, Yorkshire.

Dr A. E. Mourant and Mrs J. C. Shimell

The engagement is announced between Arthur, son of the late Mr and Mrs E. C. Mourant, of Jersey, and Jean, daughter of the late Mr J. A. Dickson and of Mrs Dickson, of London. Mr A. R. A. Urquhart and Miss E. E. Pitkethly

and Miss E. E. Pitkethly
The engagement is announced
between Alexander Robert Adam,
son of Major-General and Mrs
R. E. Urquitart, of Bigram, Port
of Menteith, Perthshire, and Elizabeth Edgar, daughter of Mr and
Mrs James A. Pitkethly, of Avondale, Lenzie, Glasgow.

Marriage

Mr. A. Leithead and Dr M. Barton

The marriage took place on November 26. at the Church of St John the Baptist, Old Malden, Surrey, between Mr Andrew Leithead and Dr Moyna Barton.

Christening

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Hugh Dalgety was christened Richard Hugh by the Rev John Page at St Peter's, East Tytherley, Hampshire, on Sunday. The godparents are Mr Dieter Dent, Mr John Haiford, "Miss Tessa Coorington, Mrs Rupert Lycett-Green and Mrs Christopher Palmer-Tomldn-506.

Gray's Lan

The Masters of the Bench of Gray's

Inn have granted the following
junior scholarships and awards:
Bacon Scholarship and awards:
Bacon Scholarship D. P. Pannes,
Hertford G. Oxford, Med. Scholarship
and Harold Languish Pize: J. H.
Greenbourns, Trimity C. Cambridge;
Hilliam Scholarship: P. Fradley, Irinitiation, Holf and Uthwart Prices: P. D.
Bradley, Exceler Univ: C. S. Hollander, King's C. Cambridge;
Holker Snirance Argard: G. G. M.
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Holker Snirance Argard: G. G. M.
Milchell King's C. Landon; Miss S.
L. Burra, Liverpool Univ: Cynthis
Torry Award: Miss C. M. Andrews
Manchesier Univ: Gegald Moody
Award: R. G. Spenter, Emmando C.
Cambridge Society Charles, Deforded
F. A. Cote, Jesus C. Oxford: P. Findley, Trimity G. Oxford: B. M., Freeland, Manchester Univ: C. P. J. Firelind, Manchester Univ: C. S. Montide: Miss
M. N. E. O'Dwyrr, Birmineham Univ: R.
C. N. L. Csborno, Carlet Church, Oxford: D. Bacton, Durham Univ: R. T.
Tremaine, Trimity E. Cambridge. Gray's Lnn

Royal Society medals

Royal Medgis have been awarded by the Royal Society to the follow-ing:
Sir Poter Kirsch, Fries, Issue Wolfson Professor of Metallurgy, Oxford Univer-sity, for studies of the structures and properties of Importect crystals, and determination of atomic and crystalin-graphic processes that enable strong alloys to be hardened by plastic working. Dr H. E. Huxley, FRB, member of actending start, Medical Research Compell, Laboratory of Molecular Blology. Cambridge, for research on the structure of muscle and on the 'molecular mechanisms of the contractile process.

Dr J. B. Adams, FRB, executive directions of the Contractile process.

Cambridge Union

Mr Andrew Mitchell, who is reading history in his third year at Jesus College, has been elected president of the Cambridge Union Society. Mr Daniel Janner, reading law in his second year at Trinity Hall, is the new secretary, and Mr Robert Harris, reading English in his third year at Selwyn College, vice-president.

Haberdasbers' Company

Mr R. E. Liddiard has been elected Master of the Haberdashers' Company for the ensuing year, with Major-General Sir John Bates, Mr H. C. Quitman, Mr M. A. B. Jenks and Mr M. L. Hall as Wardens.

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Lord Goodman delivered the 1977 Churchill Lecture arranged by the English-Speaking Union at Dartmouth House last night. Sir Patrick Dean, chairman of the ESU, presided, and Mr Winston Churchill, MP, proposed a vote of

Drawings by and Miss V. M. Waldron The engagement is announced between Richard Oakley, son of the Iste Earl of Radnor and of the Dowager Countess of Radnor, of Avonturn, Alderbury, Sallsbury, and Victoria, younger daughter of Mr Frank Waldron, of Pond House, Kidmore End, near Reading, and of Mrs Richard Dominick, of The Wedge, McClellanville, South Caroling. Mr J. S. B. Basser

Christie's offered two fragmentary drawings by Raphael for sale yesterday, which made £38,000 and £26,000. Both were bought by David Carritt, of Artemis, London. Christie's had been predicting a price of about £40,000, or perhaps a little more, on each.

The two drawings are fragments of a composition study of the "Charge to St Peter", which was made in preparation for Raphael's made in preparation for kappael's tapesiry cartoon now lent by the Queen to the Victoria and Albert Museum. The fragments are tiny red chalk drawings, 67mm by 116mm and 84mm by 116mm, one containing the beads of five aposties, the other St John and two aposties.

The other important drawing in the sale was "A river landscape with the journey to Emmans", by Pieter Breughel the Elder, a composition engraved by Hieronymus Cock in about 1553-55. It was sold to the Royal Museum, Antones for 222 0000 (authorities) for £28,000 werp, £30,000.

Other museum purchases inclu-ded Prudhon's "Seated lady reading in an interior" at £5,500 reading in an interior " at £5,500 (estimate £5,000 to £8,000), bought by Calmann for the Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, and Van Dyck's " St Lawrence chained to the gridfron", bought by Calmann for Berlin at £2,000 (estimate £2,000 to £2,000).

The sale appeared to indicate that Old Master drawings remain a very specialized interest; there was an unusually interesting selection of drawings but few new

selection of drawings but few new buyers.

The two-session sale totalled £282,005, with 19 per cent unsold. Northern drawings appeared in more demand than Italian ones.

A fine drawing of a landscape with trees near a river by an artist whose name is unknown but who is referred to as "the Master of the Winter Landscapes", made £8,000 (estimate £1,500 to £2,000), to Tunick.

In Honekong vesterday Sotheby's f1.500 to £2.000), to Tunick.

In Hongkong yesterday Sotheby's beld a sale of important Chinese ceramics and works of art totalling £1,222.021, with 10 per cent unsold. The top price was HK\$860.000 (estimate \$700.000 to \$900,000, or £101,385, paid by a Hongkong private collector for a Ming blue-and-white Mei P'ing and cover for about 1400; in a

Luncheons

Lady Mayoress
The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress entertained the following gnests at luncheon at the Manison House yesterday:
Lord and Lady Reigate. Air Marshal 5tr Maurice and Lady Heath, Alemmen 5tr Edward and Lady Howard. Mr and Mrs Julian Martin Smith, Nr and Mrs Tunothy Hedley. Professor and Mrs Roger Clinatt, the Remembrancy and Mrs Pacock, and Mr Malcolm Valentiae and Miss Caroline Charles.

Lord Westbury
Mrs Marcel Wallace presented an
ambulance fully equipped for the
St John Ambulance Aero Medical
Service to Lord Caccia, Lord Prior
of the Order of St John, at a
luncheon at the House of Lords
yesterday. Among those present
were: Wert : sert Ingichald, Chuncellor of the Sir Glibert Ingichald, Chuncellor of the Order, Lord Gree of Namion, Earl St Aldwyn, Lord Westbury, all members of the Chapter Getteral of the Order of St John, and Lord Abstrace, Prior of the Order of St John to Wales.

Law Society

The President of the Law Society, Mr Richard Denby, held a Inn-cheon party at 60 Carey Street, yesterday. The guests were: The Ambasador of Mexico. Lady Plowdon, Bir George Baleer, Sir Schward Singleon, Mr J. W. Bomme, Mr T. C. Rocherington, Mr J. C. Palmer, Mr P. A. Verdin, and Mr J. L. Bowton (socromy-schart).

Eiga Products Limited
Mr David M. Moreau and Dr
Diana M. Lorch, on behalf of
Eiga Products Limited, entertained leaders of the Church,
science, the arts, industry, community welfare and sport at the
twenty-third Leadership Lunch
yesterday held at the Café Royal. The guests of homour were Sir Charles Forte and Mr John Gar-nett, Mr W. F. Lorch presided. United Kingdom South Africa Trade Association

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Trade Association
Mr W. E. Luke, President of the
United Kingdom South Africa
Trade Association, was host on the
occasion of the twelfth annual
council luncheon held at Grosvenor House, on Tuesday, November 29. Among those present
were Mr Matthys L. Botha, Ambassador of the Republic of South
Africa, Sir David Scott, United
Kingdom Ambassador to the
Republic of South Africa, and the
founder president of the association, Sir Nicholas Cayzer. The
speakers were the chief guest.
Viscount Watkinson, President of
the Confederation of British Irdustry, and Mr P. P. Dunkley, chairman of the association.

Latest wills

Dr Bronowski leaves £6,970 estate in UK

Dr Jacob Bronowski, of La Tolla, California, the scientist, writer and broadcaster, who died in 1974, left estate in England and Wales valued at £5.970 net. Dorothy Helen Woodall, of Chesterfield, left £45,496 net. She left all her property to the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children. Other estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed); Baulk, Mr Horace Edward, of

filo,608 Thompson, Mr Bruce Logan, of Windermere £169,080

25 years ago From The Times of Saturday, Nov 29, 1952

National service

It is not possible to reduce the present period of two years' national service because of world commitments and the small prospect of a diminusion of the cold war, Mr Head, Secretary of State for War, stated at a press conference in London yesterday. He said that the Coronation was not the reason for the suspension of the short recall of class Z reservists next year, and although he me soon recall of class 2 reservists next year, and although he could not say it was finished for ever, future action would be decided later. Mr Head said that the necessity for two years' service had been questioned recently, notably by Mr Shinwell, but the Government were convinced that for the time being and in present circumstances it could not be reduced. The general response to this burdensome and unwelcome measure had been so good that it would be a pity for the country and the services if there were

249,513, for an early Ming tur-quoise glazed dish, and \$370,000 work floral boarder and dates from about 1640. Rous, Major Derek Alhusen, Mr Charire Amer, Mr Paul Amos, Lisutenant, Colonel Simon Bland, Mr Harold Bernitz, Mr Maurice Barry, Mr Leshe Batt, Mr Tony Blumenthal, Mr Derek Crouch, Mr Henry Cooper, Mr Denis Crouch, Mr Henry Cooper, Mr Donnes Mr John Dawes, Mr John Dawes, Mr John Starth Edwards, Mr Peter Marrity, Mr Martin Rushesdon, Mr Marrita Kuliman, Mr Richard Meade, Mr Adrian Metade, Mr Adrian Metade, Mr Jacob Cooper, Mr Barnet Shire, Mr Jacob Stewart, Group Capris, Harry Summers, Mr M. Tanter and Mr Mr Martin Summers, Mr M. Tanter and Mr Mr Mar William Mr Mr M. Mr Mr Mr Marries and Mr Marry Summers, Mr M. Tanter and Mr Mills Wright. Mr Edmund Dell, Secretary of State, Department of Trade, was host at a reception held at 1 Carl-ton Gardens yesterday evening in honour of Mr Lia Chiang, Minister of Foreign Trade of the People's Republic of China. Mr Govin Strang, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, was host at a reception given at Lancester House yesterday evening by her Majesty's Government in honour of delegates attending the minis session of the Codex Committee

(estimate \$200,000 to \$300,000), or £43,619, for a large familic rose far decorated with flowers in Chinese taste.

The Ming blue-and-white Mei Ping sold for £101,385.

Someby's sale in London in April, 1974, it made £160,000. An early Ming copper-red decorated bowl went for \$580,000 (estimate \$350,000 to \$450,000), or £68,376, to C. C. Lei, of Hongkong.

Eskenazi, of London, paid \$500,000 (estimate \$300,000 to \$400,000) for a pair of familie rose chrysanthemum vases, \$420,000 (estimate \$200,000 to \$300,000), or

Receptions

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East European Trade Council

East European Trade Council
The East European Trade Council gave a reception at the Savoy
Hotel last night to mark the
sppointment of Lord Shackleton as
in Chairman. Lord Shackleton received the guests, who included:
The ambaseners of Poland, Formania,
the Soviet Union, Mongolia, the German Democratic Republic, Sulgaria and
Hungair.

Rear-Admiral Desmond W. Plers, RCN (retd), Agent General of Nova Scotia, was host at a recep-tion last night to welcome the

Select Committee on Rules and Procedures of the Nova Scotia House of Assembly, who are visiting Britain. The committee, led by the Speaker of the House, Mr George Doucet, includes Mr John Buchanan, leader of the Conservative Opposition and Mr Jeremy Akerman, leader of the New Democratic Party in Nova Scotia. The guests included members of the House of Commons, the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and officers of the Canadian High Commission in London.

Dinners

Angle-Indonesian Society
The annual dinner of the AngloIndonesian Society was held at the
Royal Commonwealth Society last
might. Mr Norman Collins was
the guest of honour and the chairman of the society, Baronese
Vickers, presided. The Indonesian Ambassador and Mme Subono
were among those present.

Canning House
Lord Chalfore, President of the
Hispanic and Luso Stazzilan Council was host at a dinner given by
the council at the lun on the Park
Hotel last night in bonour of the
Latin American ambassadors. The
guests included:

Good Relations Group Limited Baroness Young was the guest speaker at a private dinner party given by the directors of the Good Relations Group at Tallow Chandlers' Hall yesterday. Mr Anthony B. M. Good, chairman, presided, and other guests were:

Harvard Law School Association of the United Kingdom The American Ambassador and Mrs Kingman Brewster were the guests of honour of the Eurvard National Sporting Civb
The Duke of Gloucester was the
guest of honour at a dinner given
by the National Sporting Club at by the National Sporting Citto at the Café Royal yesterday evening. A boxing tournament in aid of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal Fund was held afterwards. Air Chief Marshal Sir Augustus Walker, chairman of the Club, pre-sided. Others present included: guests of honour of the Harvard Law School Association of the United Kingdom at a dinner held at Gray's Inn Hall. The guests, who included Judge Everett, QC. Treasurer of Gray's Inn. Lord Justice and Lady Megaw and Mrs R. H. Mandsley, were received by the chairman of the association, Professor Rouald Graveson, QC, and Mrs Graveson.

University news

of 220,600 has been given tience Research Council to

Doubts over move by LSO to the Barbican

By Martin Huckerby Music Reporter

Doubt has arisen over the plan for the London Symphony Orch-estra to move into a new home at the Barbican Arts Centre, in the City of London, when the centre is opened in 1980.

Since 1966 it has been generally accepted that the LSO would become the resident orchestra in the concert hall of the arts centre, and the hall has been tailor made to the orchestra's instructions. But it now appears uncertain whether the orchestra will make the move.

If the LSO plan is dropped both the London Philharmonic Orchestra and the Philharmonic would be considered in its place.

Much has changed since 1966. Originally it was planned that the LSO would run the 2,000-seat concert hall; now the City has assumed responsibility. The City also faces the question of whether the LSO in 1977 is the same orchestra as in 1966.

A particular difficulty as yet

the London Orchestral Concerts Board, to help to pay for concerts at the Festival Hall.

City officials suggest that the LSO is worried about risking its future operations by moving to the Barbican and wants to be future operations by moving to the Barbican and wants to be assured by the City that it is to its financial advantage to move. Mr Michael Kaye, managing director of the LSO, denied that there was any real doubt, and said the orchestra was still committed to the plan. But he agreed: "It is a hig step and we have to look at it very carefully." He explained that the whole basis of the operation was changing as the economic situation altered. "We now have been able to tell the City what it is going to cost for a commitment and they are studying the figures," An orchestra will not be the only occupant of the new concert hall. The centre management is planning a wide variety of light emertainment.

An auction record price was established at Christie's yesterday for an English gold box, when a Charles I tobacco box 33 inches high was sold for £25,000. It is applied and chased with a profile of the monarch within an open-work four local box within an open-work four local programme and dates force. entertainment.

During the day the octagonal hall, with seats on three levels, will be used also as a conference centre.

The arts centre, which is expec-

Church news

ford.

Rev G. P. Chidato, Rector of ritaria, Great Monacham, effective autocopy, so the ford and the ford autocopy, so the ford autocopy, so the ford autocopy, and ford autocopy, so the ford

Diocese of Norwich

Science report

Cancer: Chinese find cause in diet

A massive relocation of popula-tion in China has provided doctors with clues to the causes of a kind of throat cancer that is usually common in regions of northern China. American cancer specialists who have just returned from China report a long-term study by the Chinese which seems to show that that type of oesophageal. cancer is caused by a particular way of preparing food. It is well known that different

British Museum

The British Museum will not be open to the public until 11 am tomorrow because staff are hold-

ing a union meeting as part of a "week of action" over pay.

It is well known that different types of cancer are much more common in different parts of the world- and among people of different ethnic origin and life style. That has been taken to mean that much cancer may be caused by environmental factors, of which diet may be one of the most important. Contamination of food in the tropics with a mould that produces a suspected carcinogen is apparently related to the much greater incidence of liver cancer in the tropics, and the link between smoking and lung cancer is now unquestioned. But the causes of most cancers have proved much more difficult to much.

In some regions of northern China cancer of the oesophagus is much more common than in the rest of the country and the incidence in those regions is one of the highest in the world, some 50 times that among white Americans, for example. In those regions a cancer of the gallet is also much more common than usual among the chickens the

people keep around their homes-and farms. That led cancer epidemiologists to suspect that that particular cancer was being wased by environmental factors will that the cancers in chickens and humans might have similar

Rowever, the search for the responsible carcinogen, which might be in food, soil or water, or be generated by a particular way of preparing food, looked like being a long and tedious, if not impossible, undertaking until a population relocation was undertaken in 1967-68 to allow a new dam to be built. That provided the right natural experiment to test the various theories. More than 50,000 people were relocated from Linhsten county, in the province of Honan, where oesophageal and guilet cancers are fairly common, to Chungshan county, where both are tare. The farmers did not take their chickens with them but bought new birds from flocks free of new birds from flocks free of guller cancer when they arrived. Within five years, however, 12 of 5,484 chickens purchased had developed guillet cancer, atthough no cases had been reported in the 2,400 chickens belonging to the native Chungshan population. Oesophageal cancer also Oesophageal cancer also developed in the owners, or their neighbours, of five of the chickens which developed gullet

cancer.

That points strongly to an

since the chickens were from flocks that had been almost free of that type of cancer. It also points to a source within the con-fines of the household, and which moved with the people, rather than to a carcinogen confined to the Linksten environment.

the Linhslen environment,
One suspect agent is a pickled
vegetable mix, a speciality of the
Linhslen people, which would be
fed to the chickens with other
table scraps. That mix often develops a fungal growth after
months in the pickle pot. The
mix has been analysed, and nitrosamines, a group of chemicals
thought to be carcinogenic, have
been found in it.

The Chinese are trying to pre-

The Chinese are trying to prevent that and other types of cancer suspected of having an environmental cause by various public health measures, including soil health measures, including soil treatment to correct a supposed mineral deficiency, change in water supply, more careful grain drying to prevent fungal growth, and by persuading the people not to eat foods suspected of containing nitrosamines. As Dr Robert W. Miller, of the United States National Cancer Institute, who went on the Chinese visit, points out, switching the feed of the chickens from table scraps to grain only might pinpoint the cause exactly.

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LORD ROSSLYN

a great shock to his friends,

and means a sad loss. He was not only a lovable companion,

gay, apparently carefree, affectionate, full of jokes with an

almost schoolboyish sense of

fun-but he was also a wonder-ful friend, and his friends came

from all walks of life. He shunned the limelight, but whenever anyone was in trouble

he would come to the rescue-

his kindness and generosity

One did not realize that be-

neath his gaiety he suffered from deep, black depressions which he managed to hide from the world. Only his very closest friends could have known.

Although we saw him so rarely in late years, because he

was always so elusive and im-possible to get hold of he will

always be remembered by all his friends with much love, affection and appreciation.

MME JACQUES MASSU

Mme Jacques Massu, whose husband, General Jacques Massu, who played an influen-

power General de Gaulle in 1958, died in Paris on November

25 at the age of 70.

During the Second World War, Mme Massu held the rank of major and headed the Rochambeau ambulance unht which served in General Leclerc's Free French second armoured division in France and Common The unit served in

Germany. The unit served in Indochina in 1945-1946. In Algeria she ran a home for Muslim orphans. She was born

Suzanne Rosambert and she was a highly intelligent woman who

shared her husband's career and was of much service to him. They had one daughter and twin adopted Algerian sons.

Herr Fred Oelssner, a former

member of the East German ruling polithuro during the ascendancy of Walter Ulbricht, has died at the age of 74. He had been the chief editor of

were unlimited.

Lady Drogheda writes:

November 16. He was 61.

If the LSO plan is dropped both

A particular difficulty, as yet unresolved, is the question of the orchestra's subsidy, which is given by the Arts Council and the Greater London Council, through

The arts centre, which is expected to cost more than £50m, should open in 1980, two years later than planned, because of industrial disputes and construction difficulties.

Air Henry Wrong, administrator of the centre, said it was hoped to move in towards the end of 1979, which would allow time to overcome any difficulties.

As well as the concert hall, the centre will contain a theatre occupied by the Royal Shakespeare Company, a large art gallery, a cinema, and a lending library.

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Casalegao was born in Turin on February 15, 1916. He studied literature at Turin University and was teaching it in a school which, unlike other attack on interesting the position he held when the terrorists made their attack on which, unlike other attacks on interesting the position he held when the terrorists made their attack on interesting the worked.

jo in thists, was clearly intended Italy entered the war. He to ki joined the resistance movement, acting both as liaison between son. to kill him. He was married with one

DR KURT VON SCHUSCHNIGG

Tony Rosslyn's death came as Lord Core-Booth writes :

As one who was a junior secretary at the British Legation in Vienna in 1936-37, I was glad that The Times devoted con-

siderable space to an obituary of Dr Kurt von Schuschnieg.
As Austrian Federal Chancellor after the murder of his predecessor, Dr von Schuschnieg. showed himself deeply religious, austere in manner and authoritarian in policy. When Mussolini withdrew support from Austria. Schuschning resorted to the only policy left to bim, an "independent (culturally) Ger-

man Austria".

Incerent Nazi pressure led to further concessions until the next one would have meant surrender. With great court, is. Schuschn 12 rein ed and pur the question to his people, thereby

question to his people, there he drawing grim suffering on ourself in the following years.

Two years ago, my wife and I, through the kindness of a friend, called on Dr von Schnick in his retirement in a quiet village near Innsbruck. During 10 academic years in America, a country to which he came to owe a great deal, he had developed a gentle serenity, coupled with a twink'e in the eye which he had never shown as Chancellor.

It was not an occasion for

It was not an occasion for politics. But I did ask him whether there was, in his time as Chancellor, any matter which he now thought he should have handled differently. "I should have realised earlier" he to plied without a trace of rancour. that if a serious threat came to Austrian independence. I could not expect help from France and Britain ...

MR R. H. B. SNOW Mr Richard Henry Barter Snow, CBE, Director of Medical Services, Bahrain Government, from 1960 to 1970, died on November 21. He had served with the NW Frontier Indian Hospital Church Missionary Society from 1933 to 1940. From 1940 he was successively State Medical Officer; and DMS in Bahrain. He was made a CBE in 1970.

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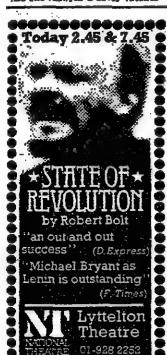
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Mr Roden spriy found a freer, more easily produced manner for a group of short songs by Respight and Wolf-Ferrari. In these his sunry, Italianate tone was always beautiful and often exciting though his folksong encore, "Sally Gardens", proved again that his most valuable gifts are those of intelligent pirasing and sensitivity to words. Geotfrey Parsons was the masterly OUSE. Donnar Thestra. 18. Royal Shakeseare Company. 8.00 Howard Barker's THAT RETWEEN US (mantants for frey Parsons was the masterly WHITEHALL, 01-980 6692/1768 Mon. 19 Thur. 9.0. Pri. 2 822, 5.30

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Béjart does his own Petrushka

Béjart, Vessiliev, Petrushka: the conjunction of western Europe's most popular and controversial choreographer, the Bolshoi Ballet's greatest male dancer and one of the most famous ballet scores of this century could hardly fall so be exciting. It was equally predictable that the iconoclastic Maurice Béjart would not be content with a traditional interpretation of the work. pretation of the work.

pretation of the work.

Only the Forest-National, a bage sports hall where Bejert's Bailet of the 20th Century customarily presents its big spectaculars in Brussele, was big emough to hold the audience for a Stravinsky season with the new Petrushka as the climax of the present the stravinsky has been been presented a nity, he was former to the season with the new Petrushka as the climax of the comments and the present the season with the new Petrushka as the climax of the presented and the presented t every performance. A pity, be-cause there the audience, several thousand strong, have to sit on three sides of a thrust

For San Francisco Opera's new Turandot, Jean-Pierre Pomelle has found a conception, and an

inspired cast and chorus, that enabled him to deepen, enlarge, and electrify Puccini's perverse

and peculiar tale. Yet for all his wild imaginings, M Ponnelle did not dominate the evening. Nor for all their fame and skill did Montserrat Caballé and Lucianianc Payaroti, who led

the cast, rule alone either. Not

were the composer's directions slavishly deferred to. Instead, a

total new work was created by all concerned, by turns shock-

and Liu, that comes to a climar in the latter's suicide.

like Turandots, are terrifying claws. On either side are banks of steps filled with a passionate

but controlled Chinese chorus in Maoist-blue uniforms and flat

The composition is over-

fair. But their relationship too, so the worst to be said in remains a bland, friendly one, with no clashes and no dramatic implications. After the first on his model. scene the girl and the second man lose their prominence in the action.

There is, however, still a mysterious magician who comes out of a fairground booth. He produces not Petrushka, the ballerina and the moor but three masks representing their faces. The friends put these on and dence in them, just for amuse-ment: Only the young man afterwards remains spellbourd and follows the magician back into the booth.

During the next two scenes he tries each mask in turn, tak-ing on the cheracteristics is suggests. From trick mirrors at the back of the stage a trio of

Ponnelle's original Turandot

In one respect his production is much inferior, namely the designs. Benois's loving evo-cation of traditional St Petersburg would hardly suit his purposes, but Joëlle Roustan and Roger Bernard come no-where near creating a compar-able world of fantasy.

able world of fantasy.

They have their moments. The first sight of the magician's booth is impressive, with onion domes surrounded by strings of electric kamps, rather as if the Kremlin had been transported to Tivoli Gardens. But the fairground crowd are dressed in the non-descript stylization of everyday clothes favoured by Russian folk compenies, meking them look very drab and anonymous.

Drah, that is, until the mo-

character he presents at this point may slightly resemble his role in The Little Humpbacked Horse, very early in his career: a naive, but shrewd peasant.

shrewd peasant.
Transformed by his masks,
Vassiliev becomes in turn
sadly introspective, then
femmine (but never effeminate) and next a brash, gangling monster, I suppose it is the influence of the music that has led Bejart to show the blacksmoor more like an ape than a man, with low, swinging hands and a crouched walk, but that does come as rather a shock from a man of his liberal sensitivity.

The heights of Vassiliev's

performence are reached in the last scene, with his somnabulistic walk through the crowds, his despair as they seem to turn on him, and the infinitely puzzled loneliness of his final moments, alone on stage as the lights fade, leaving a single spotlight on his face until the ironic final bar of the music.

route fines bar of the music. The virtuosity and the stamina needed for this role are daunting, but I am sure Bejart will find other dancers capable of emulating Vassiliev in those respects. What is unique about him is the character he brings to his performance; not just in the formance: not just in the sense of assuming the character of the role, but of illuminating it with his own humanity. More and more I become convinced that is what distinguishes the truly great dancers from the

The Hardman ICA

Ned Chaillet

When The Hardman was first appounced in Edinburgh the author was said to be Tom McGrath, whose Mr Laurel and Mr Hardy appeared last year at the Mayfair Theatre. Now, arriving at the ICA, it bears the name of Jimmy Boyle alongside McGrath's and is admittedly based in part on the Glasgow cangster's life.

In the play a character says that the Boyle figure, called Johnny Byrne, is the sort of person who gives Glasgow's notorious Gorbals a bad name. Since Boyle's imprisonment that sort of thing has been said about him, and there has been resent ment that he seems to have be-come a hero of sorts, publishing an autobiography and exhibiting sculpture since being placed in the experimental Special Unit at Barlinnie Prison.

None of that surfaces in The Hardman. Only the training in theft and violence that slum life offered and the practice of betrayal and brutality that marked Royle/Byrne's maturity conves through. Finally jailed for murder, the last long segment of the play shows Byrne still fighting. He attacks the deputy governor of his prison, wages is last seen naked, in a cramped cage at Barlinnie, smearing excrement over himself in a peculiar sort of transcendence.

That image apart, coming as it does as cosrse realism amid stylized and effective rituals of violence, there is much to recommend in the play. It has humour, a theatrically valid and exciting use of percussion to suggest both violence and tenderness, some fine young acrors and a remarkably even-handed picture of Byrne and the prison system. It is also singularly lacking in plot development or any form of tension, spart from that which Peter Kelly is able to bring to the role of Byrne.

The direction by Peter Lichtenfels, with Ian Ireland and McGrath, accepts that the progression from incident to incident and jailing to jailing is not dramatic and treats the text almost symphonically. Byrne as a youth is in gang-fights climactically sounded by drums and the rattle of corrugated iron, as an adult the drumming is on the bars of his cage while be tries to sleep. His final repetition of the word "no" is a mantra chanted to dentity his continued to signify his continued resistance. Something must have hap-pened to Boyle in the Special Unit to make his help on this play, his autobiography and his sculpture possible. The play hints at it, bur absorbing and emertaining as it is at best, too little is revealed.

Tomorrow at the Regent Theatre, Regent Street, Backstage Productions present Sexual Perversity in Chicago and Duck Variations, both by David Masnet, the young American playwright. Sexual Perversity in Chicago won the OBIE Best Play Award in 1976 and Best Play Award in 1976, and together with Duck Variations John Percival ran for a year off Broadway.

the first movement he found a flowing tempo, and wisely, I think, did not repeat the exposition. Many artists, even the greatest, make this opening

molto moderato too much like

Clifford Curzon Festival Hall

Joan Chissell

For his piano recital on Monday Sir Clifford Curzon chose a programme he had already played at the Aldeburgh Festival last June and probably on many other platforms too. Yet he still preferred to play from the printed page rather than trust bis memory. a slow movement, so that the

The nervous hypertension that easily gets between his vision of the music and his fingers was not completely confingers was not completely con-quered on Monday until Schubert's last sonata in B flat after the interval. This was a wonderful performance, to begin with for the ethereal quality of the sound. Sir Clif-ford's delicately pellucid touch has always been ideal for Schu-bert. In this visionary sonata it seemed even more perfect than usual, every note gleaming as if with a little halo.

Depth of feeling was also conveyed with a simplicity that was wholly Schubertian. For

ensuing Andante cannot bring its rightful contrast. Sir Clifford's did, its polgnancy all the more touching for not being underlined. Contrasts of a minor and major touching wars also and major tonality were also intimately telling, as they were in the tingling Scherzo and unpredictably temperamental finale. Because chosen as opener, Beethoven's D minor sonata caught the worst of Sir Clifford's unease in wrong notes and a hectic kind of urgency. But the spread pianissimo chords in the opening movement

were marvellously mysterious. In a group of intermezzos and capriction by Brahms Sir Clif-ford again seemer unduly highly strung. Speed militated against strength and breadth in one or two climaxes. But response to mord could not have been sharper, and all five brought exquisite things in passing.

none the less offered an attrac-

Park Lane Music Players

Queen Elizabeth Hall

Thomas Walker

Monday evening's event at Queen Elizabeth Hall was only nominally a concert by the Park Lane Music Players. In reality it was a benefit for "Self Aid of Refugees". an organization whose good offices were, if I whose good offices were, it is understand, mainly directed during and after the Second World War towards alleviating the plight of those forced to flee Hitler's Germany. Its present raison d'être did not emerge alleviations the present from the present first so clearly from the pages of its annual report.

Given the economics of today's concert life, I cannot imagine that Monday's balance was strongly in the black, des-

pite the large and obviously dedicated audience. Presumably the main support comes from the vast series of businesses and industries whose good wishes fattened the souvenir pro-

none the less offered an attractive selection of works from barque and classical repertory, including two of the less frequently played Haydn symphonies, 66 in B flat and 76 in E flat Rudolf Schwarz led the orchestra in well tailored performances without a great deal of individuality. deal of individuality. Number 76 carries its own weight easily with the cool fire of its slow movement, a foretaste of the Haydn of Paris and London. The earlier work, however, stands or falls on its conductor's sense of humour,

conductor's sense of humour, and of that there was little evidence. Indeed, from start to finish there was a joylessness about the playing, which is perhaps not surprising when you consider the agonizing memories that must crowd in on the gathering the gathering. As the star attraction, the violinist Ida Haendel played Mozart's third concerto in G major with conviction and accuracy, if without warmth. I enjoyed much more her Holly-

wood style rendering of Corelli's gramme. "La Folia" variations, which
If the occasion was, inevitably, more a social and financial than a musical one, it song from Exodus.

Hongkong Festival

· A Hongkong Festival company has been formed in association with the Forum Theatre, Billingham, to present three plays—Rosmersholm, She Stoops to Conquer and Samuel

Beckett's Happy Days. The casts include Phyllis Calvert and Martin Jarvis. Clifford Williams of the Royal Shakespeare Company, directs all three plays. Ten concerts will be given by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yester-David Littlejohn day's later editions.

Caballé and dwarf

all concerned, by turns shocking, perplexing, and jarringly spectacular.

As usual in a successful Ponnelle production, there are far no many noverties to detail. (Some protested at the more garish ismovations — dwarves, blood, visible tortures. But surely this decadent, dubious opera calls out for correspondent production? Rather than list them all, let me take a single scene, the third-act confrontation between Turandor and Lim, that comes to a climar As in any totally successful piece of theatre, the whole is what matters, not the parts. The parts here included the most brilliantly conceived and drilled interpretation of the in the latter's suicide.

The stage is dominated, here and throughout the opera, by a beautiful-25ft, starue of a bare-breasted female buddha. The body is burnished gold, the face polished porcelain. The eyes are awesome slits that open and close, glow with light, and finally weep bloody tears. The giant arms rise and fall in slow mechanical moves, the fingers, like Turandot's, are terrifying drilled interpretation of the three ministers I have ever seen, trapped between humanity and fantasy. The parts included a provocative war between two world-famous voices. Pavarotti sings with his familiar, earthy throbbing-Italianate passion and sweetness, clearly a Puccini hero from some other world than hers, alive with sensual energy. Having lost four stone, he also looks the part; Mine Caballe remains awesomely large. Until she is successfully challenged and stripped of her impenetrable gold robes, Mme Caballe's Turandot left me quite cold, colder that I thought necessary. Despite some breathcoolie hats. Behind, a black wall. The "lap" of the statue becomes the balcony from which the frigid, sadistic princess watches the too-human spectacle below. necessary. Despite some breath-taking notes she was somewhat less magnificent than her re-cordings or reputation. But at least, this grand coldness allowed her final eucounter with Calaf to take on devastating proportions, both erotic and

The composition is over-whelming: visually, orches-trally, musically. Every instant, every gesture, has been plan-ned as a part of the total dramatic event. The Idol lifts an arm: Turandor comes out, red blood on her hands, sup-ported by a dwarf. Mine Caballé gives voice to her imperious. Wagnerian questions The San Francisco daily newspaper critics had no kind words for the revival of Bellini's I purituri. First mounted here for Joan Sutherland in 1966, the handsome, serviceable imperious, Wagneriam questions and commands in that stuming if unlovable tone. Leona Mir-chell, a magnificent Liu, wretched in rags, is turnented sets and costumes were un-wrapped again this year for Beverly Sills. Bellini did hope wretched in rags, is turmented by Ping, Pang, and Pong. Sha explains her secret—"Princi-pessa, Pamore!"—in liquid, lovely, plum-full voice; two sterling silver soprato voices meet in air, underscored by Puccior's violins. Lin stubs her-self and falls; and suddenly the whole stageful of grotesque exotics seems designed to give timeless new meaning to her death. that his Elviras could cope with the high notes Miss Sills can only strain towards; and he wrote dramatic-tragic moments she could never convincingly evoke. But in between, I Puritan is filled with innumerable occasions for the silvery nightingale trills and runs, the joyous beaming outbursts of bel canto her fans come to

The rest of the production was pure provincial Italian stagione, so old-fashioned it was almost amusing.

San Francisco also imported the sets and costumes of a lavish new Aida from New York, and then double-cast in and ran it nine times to help pay off the freight. I missed the first round (Maria Paraz-zini, Fiorenza Cossotto, James McCracken, Norman Mittel-mann), but saw and enjoyed the recond the second.

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Our second Radames (Gianfranco Cecchele, in his San Francisco debut) started out in pinched voice much too small for this immense (3,200-seat) house—"Celeste Aida" received only the most perfunctory faint clapping of mittened hands. Signor Cecchele never ventured to art bevond the odd ventured to act beyond the odd frown, but his voice eased and opened up as the evening pro-gressed, and the final duet was winning indeed.

He was paired with the Hungarian soprano Eva Marton.

also new to San Francisco, a voluptuous Aida ill-garbed in electric blue. Hers is a very interesting voice, potentially that of a splendid lead soprano. Her tone is melodious, beautiful, and full. Her acting stays, so far, this side of melodramatic excess.

After only three seasons and four roles, mezzo Tatiana Troyanos has become a Cali-fornia darling. As it turned out, her Amneris was not as sym-pathetic a role as her Poppea (1975) or Adalgisa (1976). But there is still so much to be relished in that opulent, velvety voice with its compelling vibra-to; in a lithe, mastered body and profile.



Holding back the **Marxists**

Lord Gladwyn, President of the European Movement and a member of the European Parliament from 1973 to 1976, contributes this week's guest column

Moscow denounces the "Eurocommunists ". Señor Carillo openly criticizes Moscow, as do, perhaps less vehemently, Mon-sieur Marchais and the Marquis Berlinguer. Does all this transform the Eurocommunists

from totalitarians into demo-crats? After all, if they reject the concept of the dictatorship of the proletariat; accept the necessity of resigning if defeated in elections; and in essence repudiate the whole philosophy of the Russian Bolsheviks as exemplified in the works and writings of Lenin and, more recently, in the (never repudiated) Brezhnev Doctrine " as they say they do, what does distinguish them from Western European social-

Not much, if we believe Mr

Eric Heffer (The Times, November 7), who, one must suppose, reflects the views of the Toibune Group, though it seems that his colleague Mr Alex Kitson favours Moscow as against the Eurocommunists. Indeed Mr Hoffer tells us that the policy of Carillo is virtually indistinguishable from the 1976 Labour manifesto. His suggestherefore, naturally is after suitable discussions, the Eurocommunists and the Socialist International should get together so that "at last Europe (can) democratically evolve as originally envisaged by Marx and Engels into a socialist society". The only thing that stands in the way of this happy development is ap-parently the unfortunate addicparentry the unfortunate addic-tion of the Eurocommunists to what is known as "democra-tic centralism", or "cadre-style organization", in other words, a concentration of power in the hands of a small, deter-

Even granted that the type of socialist society envisaged by the Tribunites and the Euro-communists is very similar, or even identical, the fact is that it is the latter who intend, in the event of any merger or association with anybody, to be the tall that will wag the dog. The chances of such an operation succeeding in Italy are considerable: in France they are not very great at the moment. And unless the European socialists accept the principle of "demo-cratic centralism"—and is the the Labour Party dog. Tribune Group opposed to this?—It seems unlikely that Mr To avoid such a calamity Heffer's merger will emerge, at any rate for the time being.

For the real political dividing line is now between all those who genuinely want to have what is known as a "directed economy", "scientifically" planned and operated on what is believed to Marxist (though they might equally well be fascist) lines, and those who still want to reform our existing free and pluralistic societies rather absurdly described as capitalist "---by democratically reforming the present industrial system so as to encourage such things as decentralization, regional development, individual liberty, and a rather fairer distribution of inherited wealth.

If the present recession persists and memployment remains very high, or goes even higher, the success of the first ten-dency, which we might call "Eurotribunism", is certainly

not to be discounted. The British, it is true, will not want, when it comes to the point, to be bossed about by planners, however "scientific", or be subjected to "social engineerbased on a now discredited ideology, however attenuated. But they may have to if, for instance, they break with Europe and, for whatever reason, prefer to retreat into their nationalistic shell. Once again, and this time even more successfully, we may see the Tribune Group tail wagging

will surely be necessary for all progressive and reasonable non-Marxists in all the main parties to come together in an effort to instil in the public mind a vision of the kind of Britain and the kind of Europe that will be an acceptable alter-native to the Marxist paradise. And where can this be found other than in European democratic institutions and notably in the creation of a vigorous elected European Assembly capable of both mobilizing European public opinion and of checking any tendency towards bureaucracy in the Community machine. If the non-Marxists among our politicians had any sense they would now be concerting their efforts to project such an image through the media and, by one means or another, to insist that the elections take place without any British imposed—and highly dangerous—delay.

What our schools need most is money

nobody seems to have noticed. The crisis is worst in secondary schools. Last year mainmingham grammar school £1,000 55.76 a head on books on average-20 per cent less, in real terms, than they spent in 1971-72. Recently The Times Educational Supplement sent report-ters to 13 local education

authorities to investigate the provision of books in secondary schools. found that younger pupils in secondary schools are being starved of books so that being starved of books so that exam students can be provided with essential texts. Materials for practical subjects are being cut to the minimum.

Money for teaching materials comes from capitation allow-ances—so much is allocated per pupil each year. The amount varies enormously in different authorities: in 13 authorities this year, capitation for 11-15-year-olds ranged from £10.12 a head to £18.80.

In many areas the sum has to to many areas me soon many cover milet paper and cleaning materials, postage, telephone bills and minor repairs, as well as books and teaching materials. In some authorities schools have up to 40 per cent less to spend on teaching materials than they (Times Newspapers Ltd, 1977 had five years ago.

They need textbooks for private sindy. Every year, syllabus changes require new set texts and equipment. A new A-level physics course will cost a Bir-

Comprehensives that have been successfully building up examination courses and sixth forms have particular difficul-ties. One comprehensive in Barnsley has 130 pupils taking O-level geography this year. Last year there were 30. The students need a minimum £10 worth of textbooks each not to mention maps, and field trips. Capitation for 11-16-year-

olds in Barnsley is £15.91 a head.
Even in practical subjects, exams take priority. GCE craft O-levels demand work in hard-wood. One square foot of hardwood, one inch thick, costs 72p. Many craft departments in com-prehensives have to run for a year on £1 per head.

So, lower down the school, textbooks have to be shared between two or even three pupils in class. One set must do for several teachers, and several classes. In practical subjects, children are asked to do fiddly exercises with sca-venged materials, or even with pencils and paper.

Their quality is very variable—
but producing even the nastiest worksheets takes up a great deal of teachers' time and great deal of teachers' time and pupil numbers, teachers' first

Shared sets of books cannot be taken home, or given out done deals with local teachers on long loan. Homework has to that held pupil-teacher ratios come from worksheets, or dic-tated notes. So less homework cuts in capitation.

gets done, and its quality If standards of educational

Good libraries can make up the deficiencies in teaching stocks. Schools in some authorities have excellent libraries, staffed by full-time qualified librarians and assistants. They are exceptional. In many places, the standard of school libraries is scandalously low.

Teacher-librarians are given as little as two periods a week to run libraries for schools with over 1,000 pupils. Their share of capitation can be less than 50p a head. There are school libraries with 3,000 books for 1,500 pupils. In schools, libraries are many schools, libraries are used as classrooms for most of

the day.
Some suburban schools are now raising five figure sums every year from parents. Increasingly the parents' contri-butions are going on basics, library and textbooks. But for schools in poor areas, it is a

Inevitably, GCE, O and A. In many subjects, lessons for major effort for parents to level students take the lion's younger children can be raise £200 a year. So social share of the resources going, entirely based on worksheets, gaps are widening.

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concern has been to preserve jobs. Many authorities have done deals with local teachers

provision are not to fall per-manently in many areas, it is now urgent that politicians, teachers and the general public sources. In 1976-77—the latest year figures are available— secondary pupil-teacher ratios were below 16:1 in 20 of the 104 education authorities. They were worse than 18:1 in only

But in many areas the deterioration in stocks of books and basic teaching materials is reaching crisis point. Teachers are having to produce materials on a scavenging doit-yourself, cutprice basis. In these circumstances, it is scarcely surpris-ing that they fail to deliver the wide variety of high quality goods demanded in the Great Education Debate.

Virginia Makins

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Anorexia nervosa: a disease of our times

of extreme self-maintained starvation in the presence of plenty of food, is emerging as a serious modern disease, most commonly among adolescent girls. The nature of disease in a society often reveals hidden aspects of its lifestyles and its struggles, and anorexis nervoss

esting has an honourable history. In due proportion it reflects a proper sense of self-control and of the self. Taken to extreme, the ascetic has discovered and sometimes pro-claimed its blunting affect on his other carnal needs and has sometimes seemed to achieve ecstasy through it. Now, ano-rexia nervosa is burgeoning in materialistic society. It invites some initial questions. Why so common in females; why so much more common among the families of professional and managerial classes?

If a more general wish to lose weight is part of the background then it is evident that this is a female rather than a society. The majority of adolo-scent females wish to be less fat; clearly, not all of them are fat in an obese sense—it is the feminine famess conferred by puberty which they are attempt-

ing to curb.
The full-blown anorectic has totally rejected this famess, to-gether with the biological and reproductive maturity that it heralds. To say that anorexon pubertal processes which is aduces in those individuals or

It is also a lack of other less primitive ways of coping or adapting to the problems of growing up, rather than just the growing up, rather than just the adolescent emotional maturational hictup itself, which is the hailmark of aucreria nervosa. The strains of adolescence for families classically include the need for parents to reconsider their own lifestyles and adjustments. Potentially providing them with an opportunity for new growth, the challenge can sometimes be no great.

For example, institutions such as parental personality or the marriage itself may be threatened, and a closing of the parental ranks and rejection of the still unconforming adolescent follows. Approximate approximate the still property approximate cent follows. Anorexia nervosa ideally resolves such a conflict in the first instance.

about their appearance and attempting to optimize it, only to find their parents' marriage crumbling in their wake. Its survival was dependent upon them being a dependent child. Many of us survive such quick-sands—the incipient anorectic does not and the total regret. does not, and the total regres-

does not, and the total regression and reversion to childhood inherent in anorexia nervosa resolves this conflict.

Perhaps in the past there were other institutions and system: providing order and control, through which the adolescent could slowly graduate away from the family, for example through apprenticehing ample through apprenticeship and the social rituals and courtship patterns which existed in traditional society.

With the breakdown of many of these and with the limits of what is socially permissible broadening rapidly, it takes a certain robustness of emergent personality and of family relationships to weather the storm, especially when, say, middle class parental values are at stake. The close-knit nature of working class families, their here and now interests and their different level of expecta-tions of adolescence, often with lifestyles in terms of work and

earlier age, is probably protec-tive in this respect.

Since anorexia nervosa is, to some extent, adaptive and not seen as alien by the person afflicted with it, often it is not brought to the doctor's atten-tion, or else this only happens after several years of increas-ing physical disability. Since spontaneous recovery can also occur, it is not possible to say what proportion of afflicted

people eventually recover, however, within those populations of people with the condition who eventually become medically involved, approximately 40 per cent will be recovered five years later, even with the mini-mal treatment possible. This figure can probably be in-creased to 60 per cent with sophisticated treatment. However, a substantial number remain ill, struggling along at weights as low as 4½ to 5½ stones, and death occurs in about 5 per cent of this sad, isolated group.

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Many of them move on from low weight control pattern of dieting to one of (secret) over-eating, romiting and excessive purging—a complex behaviourel and metabolic state arises which presents many a diagnostic puzzle to the doctor not party to the underlying psychological determinants. In order to prevent others from disrupting her delicate equilibrium the patient may deny concern about her weight and effectively conceal her continued manipulation of it with the same tenacity as an addict maintains his position. Meanwhile, her insistent pre-

dieteric matters. The latter, of course, are also inevitably intrusive as a conse quence of her starved state. She, even more than the majority of adolescent girls, will overest-mate her body widths, insisting, is normal in size or even large Her starving state will some-times also lead her into stealing and hoarding—behaviour often at variance with her previous

Although the disorder is now common (about one in every 100 girls aged 16 to 18 in the independent sector of education in pendent sector of education in the south of England has been found to have it, and it may be even more common among a slightly older age group), it has probably also been more pravalent than was previously thought in earlier decades. Now better recognized, it assuredly remains, however, a disease predominantly of affluent societies. In this day and age, it is probably the commonest cause of emaciation in our young adult female population.

female population. Treatment is extremely difficult. Any severely ill anoregic knows how to gain a suc-stantial amount of weight, but her terror at doing so is over-whelming. If she is to achieve this and sustain it outside the natural course of events, then attention will need to be directed also at the underlying maturational problems already alluded to. A combination of reexposure to truly normal adult weight through a normal reexposure to truly normal adult weight through a normal dietary intake together with relevant psychological help is probably optimal; an approach family.

Otherwise the more likely merely to eat to permit discharge from care
then she will resume her old ways, in-patient care requires a highly sophisticated blend of medical and nursing control. combined with a certain freedom to explore new aspects of the family.

tive though egosyntmic bio-logically based avoidance of, and part solution to, an existential problem, should be a chalwell as to the families contain-ing it. Meanwhile, the hard-pressed National Health Service is barely in a position to deal with the large numbers of us whose illnesses are no more and no less than our only re

Arthur Crisp

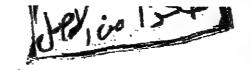
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THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**



to control insider dealing and director loans

Government plans to make insider dealing a criminal offence and to clamp down on company loans to directors were outlined yesterday in the form of a White Paper from the

Department of Trade.

It seems unlikely, however, that legislation to enact the proposals will be introduced in the present parliamentary session, which in turn raises some doubt about whether the Government will be able to legislate before the next General

The Queen's Speech earlier this month included a commitment to "amend company law", but the pressures on the parliamentary timetable mean that only a limited Bill will be introduced. This will implement the EEC's second directive on comony definition and cover some registration issues.

The proposals in the White Paper are designed to put the duties of directors on to a statutory footing, and will, for the first time, give employees legal recognition in company law. Directors will have to take account of their interests as well as those of shareholders, and provision will have to be made for employees when part or all of a company is closed. The Queen's Speech earlier or all of a company is closed In response to a number of cases which have exposed loop-holes in the present law prohibiting loans to company directors, the White Paper proposes to extend the present ban include directors.

o include directors' near rela-In the case of banks, which are allowed to make loans to when it is the course of business". ordinary course of business, loans will have to be made on normal commercial terms."

From Malcolm Brown

ness and public life.

Business leaders from 54

countries today approved a

tough new set of rules to fight

bribery and corruption in busi-

The governing council of the

International Chamber of Com-

merce voted overwhelmingly to

adopt the recommendations of

These include: strong recom-

mendations to governments to

tighten up on the scope for corruption in their own coun-

tries and to introduce anti-

bribery legislation where it did not already exist; a set of volum-

tary rules of ethical practice for businesses which ban ex-

tortion and bribery and outlaw kickbacks; and the setting up of an international panel to

But the council, while accept-

ing in principle the proposal of an international policing panel,

has remitted to a working party the whole question of the com-position and detailed powers of the panel. The issue will be considered again by the coun-

police this code.

British Attorney General.

Paris, Nov 29

What makes an 'insider'

Insiders will be defined principally as directors, employees, substantial shareholders and persons with a professional or business relationship with the company. In addition the definition will extend to "anyone who receives information which he knows to be price-sensitive and not generally available and which he realizes has come directly or indirectly from an insider." This provision will not be restricted to those "who are in some specified relationship with the insider.

will have to be revealed fully a criminal offence with penalwill have to be revealed fully in the annual accounts.
Directors' contrasts come under strutiny too. All service contracts lasting longer than five years will have to be approved by shareholders, and sales of assets between a company and a director or his family interests will require shareholder approval.

Minority shareholders will be able to protect their interests

The White Paper comes out in favour of audit committees, but has drawn back from making them compulsory. Inicially at least, the White Paper says, a it will be better for companies, investors and their representatives bodies to work out schemes which can benefit from a degre of flexibility from a degre of flexibility which the law could not pro-

wide".
Much of the White Paper focuses on proposals to outside insider trading in quoted securities, which is to become

ICC adopts tough new rules for fighting

But it is by no means clear that this body of opinion will prevail. It is understood that while concern was expressed at

the Shawcross proposals on the panel should in fact be

One crucial issue which the

working party may examine is whether the panel should be able to investigate alleged cor-ruption without the consent of

The original draft of the report on the commission—whose other members include M Jean Rey, president of the European Economic Commission from 1967 to 1970 and Shaikh Yamani, Saudi Arabia's perceivement of the commission of the commission—the commission of the commission of

perroleum minister-had been

a high-level commission on ex-tortion and bribery chaired by setting up of such a panel. The ICC's propose would entail—questions of libel: be circulated to the

the accused party.

bribery and corruption in industry

ties of up to two years in prison or ar undashed fine:

Frosecution will have to show that an insider "knew or had reasonable grounds to believe that the information was not

generally known and was price sensitive and that he dealt nevertheless. But it will be possible to make a defence that dealing is not intended to make a profit of armid a dos by the tree of Minorary shareholders will be make a detence that meaning is able to protect their interests not intended to make a profit better by obtaining the right to. or avoid a loss by the use of petition the court if they think the company is being run in a this defence provides protection way prejudicial to their for impocent dealings by directive the company is being run in a think the defence provides protection interests.

The White Paper is not likely to prove controversial except in detail. The Tories promptly welcomed it, noting that it reproduced much of what had been proposed in their own 1973 company law Bill which was overtaken by the 1974 election.

Mr John Nott, Opposition spokesman on trade, said he welcomed the Government's putting into statueory form what was already general busi

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panel if a means can be found which does not involve mo

The ICC's proposels will now

take are the compilation of reports on the financial interests and total wealth of officials and their immediate families. The chember also wants governments to have

access to company information about agents dealing with public bodies or officials.

Lord Shawcross said in Loudon last night: "I am glad to know that the code itself has been adopted, but I am sorry

this point the detailed Shaw-cross proposals on the powers and competence of the panel is bound to be interpreted as the believed to law shamed

result of pressure from the today, more voluble critics of the commission's report, particularly draft greatly reduced the France, Belgium and West powers of the policing penel to investigate alleged corruption. It now seems possible that this body of opinion will be means can be found

would entail—questions of libel be circulated to the governand slander, for example, might arise where a company was denounced to the panel as Among the measures which having engaged in corrupt practices—there was a strong feeling in terrain sections of the ICC council that some of the ICC council that some of the sections of the ICC council that some of the

White Paper sets out plans UK hopes for Europe airliner stake

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent
Britain, France, West Cermany and
Holland are moving fairly close to agreement on the development of a 150-searer
European airliner project.

If the project goes ahead it will be based on a French design, the A200, and will be powered by two American/French

will be powered by two American/French engines.

This means that the compening British design, the BAC XII, which is largely based on proven BAC III airliner technology, will be dropped.

But in return for French insistence that their design must be used, the British are equally adamant that they should have overall control of the project, and it should be a hard-headed economic one, rather than one entered into for reasons of political pride.

of political pride.

The British Agerospace view is that this The British Agerospace view is that this country should have the leadership role of the project, should design and make the wings and the undercarriage, and do the final assembly of parts made in all four partner countries, plus flight testing. This would amont to about 40 per cent of the project for Britain, 25 per cent for France (the low figure taking into consideration the fact that she will be producing the engines) and the remaining Development costs and tooling for pro-

duction would amount to some £330m and would be split among the partners in the

same ratio as the work.

The deal is to be discussed at prime ministerial level between Britain and France in December and has enormous implications for Britain's future industrial and political relations with Europe.

It is linked strongly with the possibility of Britain reentering, at government level, the European alrhus consortium which she fair the late 1950s on the ground that left in the late 1950s on the ground that

airbus sales prospects were bleak.

British Aerospace, which makes the wings for the airbus as a private venture, is negotiating to go back as a full member of the consortium with a view to working on a new and smaller version, the 200seater B10.

The price of the entry ticket for Britain would be similar to that for the A200. There would also be a small contribution expected by the French and the Germans towards the bill for additional production costs of the existing airbus models. At the same time as negotiating with the Europeans, British Aerospace is talking to the American companies Boeing

are of a serious nature, but they can also be seen as a lever for placing pressure on the French and the Germans in the talks

£150m Iranair deal will benefit Hawker

I a deal signed in London yesterday. Iraqair will lease two European A300 airbuses and indicated that it will buy 10 more at a total cost of £150m.

First deliveries of the new aircraft will

be made in 20 months. The first of the two leased aircraft is for delivery in March. The orders represent long-term work for Hawker Siddeley factories within British

And ML Aviation, of Maidenhead, has been awarded a contract by the United States Air Force-Navy Board which could lead to the manufacture of weapon-carry-ing racks for a wide range of American military aircraft. ML Aviation already makes these for the RAF and the Royal Navy and for the air forces of 20 foreign

societies in

By Margaret Stone Merger proposals

the country.

approval in April.

larger societies.

£1,200m link

the Anglia Building Society,

with assets of nearly £700m, and

the Hastings and Thenet Build-

ing Society, with assets over

£500m, announced yesterday

will create a new society to be

called the Anglia, Hasting and Thanet—the seventh biggest in

Talks have been going on be-

tween-the two (or several years,

but the growing gap between

the giant national societies with

assets in excess of £1,000m and

the rest gave final impetus to

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Plenty of imported Coffee in Brazil

The London market opened 20 down and trading is quiet, Senhor Jair Coser, president of Brazil's second largest coffee exporting company said with a smile. A few hundred yards from his office in the Palacid do Cafe. 2009 years Cafe, 2,000 tons of imported coffee was being discnarged from the British ship Deseado.

Another 4,000 tons are due to

arrive next week, bought over-seas by Interbras, a state-controlled trading company in an unprecedented move or half of the Brazilian Coffee Justitute (IBC).

Yet a few hundred miles down the coast coffee is being loades for export—if I usmaller quantities than usual.

In November and December Brazilian companies will export 1,500,000 bags of coffee (of 60 4 kilos each). A third of the amount for the same period last year. Like other traders, Senhor Coser has coffee to export, but his hande are tied by Reaville. bis hands are tied by Brazil's premium selling price of 3.20 dollars a pound, and a one-month limit on arranging ad

Neither is an attractive selling point, and has embarrassed the coffee exporters, financially and otherwise. Two large companies have already gone bankrupt, and another eight are known to be in difficulties.

"My company (Unicate) stopped exporting altogether stopped exporting altogether for six months, and has only just restarted. Senhor Coser explained. It is almost impossible to sell coffee at the Brazilian price. He favours an export price close to the current market rate of about \$2 a pound. That is a good price for the producer and not 200 for the producer and not too expensive for the consumer. The IBC's imported coffee-expected to total about 25,000

the merger debate Members tons by january—will be stopped in Vitoria until next will be asked to give their summar, when it wil be sent to Brazilian plants for roasting, unless frost damages the July Mr John Porter, chairman of the Hastings and Thanet, who will become chairman of the crop. In that eventuality, it could be reexported. enlarged society, said yesterday

there were five reasons for for the merger. It is the last frost, in 1975 that is still playing bayoc with that is still playing havoc with the machinations of Brazil's coffee trade, and is the apparent motive for the IBC replenishing its reserve stocks, at present about 1.5 million sacks.

"The import of coffee was no necessary', Senhor Coser said. 'Although we do not have a surplus at present, we have enough for consumption and These were the elimination of direct competition with branch offices, preferential reserve ratio of larger reserve ratio of larger societies, geneal economies of scale, a greater national spread, and the ability to compete with

The new society will have more than 200 branches (only enough for consumption and export. The IBC's action, a strange spectacle to Brazilian traders, is being interpreted as 18 overlap) and although-administrative offices will ultimately be centred on centred on headultimately be centred on Anglia's Northempton head-quarters the Hastings Bexhill a largely speculative measure.

They believe, however, that the low world price and imifor the time being. There are nent appearance on the market of coffee from other producing to be no redundancies for at least five years. countries may yet force the IBC's hand. At the moment we are alone in the market, Mr Porter sald the two societies shared the same philosophy to term shares and differential we are alone in the market, but from January the competi-tion will be very strong," Senhor Coser said.

He predicts that the mini-mum price of Brazilian coffee wil shortly be lowered and the mortgage interest rates. The Anglia has 600,000 investors and

100,000 borrowers while the Hastings has some 300,000 investors and 75,000 borrowers. Mr Penar Wilkinson, general manager of the Anglia, and Mr Eric Argent, general manager of the Hastings and Thanet, are to be joint chief executives. beleaguered exporters will be allowed to arrange sales four months in advance instead of one.

Peter Godfrey in Vitoria, Brazil

Solicitors expect higher indemnity Building premiums as inflation hits claims

A world "explosion" in users' claims against the professions together with an tendency to digher settlements means that British solicitors are
likely to have to pay substantially higher premiums for
indemning insurance.

In an article published in its
Guardian Gazette today the Law
society gives a worning that
while negotiations with insurance underwriters are still taking place, solicitors' premiums
are "quite inevitably" going to
have to rise from next September.

Figures covering the first full year of the society's master policy scheme show a discrepancy between income from premiums and the estimated total which chims might cost. At 179m, the reserve sum which it is estimated might be the maximum needed to cover

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By Ronald Pullen

Banking Correspond

claims notified, is more than £1 higher than the income re-ceived from premiums. The rotal of 646 claims against solicitors were notified during the year ending last

August Obligatory for all solicitors Obligatory for all solicitors since September last year, the master policy scheme covers claims against loss of documents or valuables, defamation and breach of confidence as well as professional negligence. The premiums now cost sole practitioners £490 a year and give cover: up to £50,000 per claim while partners' pay £392 amustly for cover up to amually for cover up to

The Law Society makes the point that during the existence of the policy inflation has advanced by abour 36 per cent. while premiums have increased by only 26 per cent. However,

there effects of what it describes as a "world-wide epidemic" of professional indemnity claims."

In the United States claims against lawyers increased by 40 per cent between 1971 and 1975, according to a recent indemnity insurance company survey. During the same period the average claim cost almost doubled to \$12,000 (about £6,630) by 1975 and the pool of insurers who are prepared to rake on professional indemnity insurance had shrunk to pos-

it is also concerned about the

sibly three or four companies.
The society's concern is that factors such as changes in public attitudes to consumer protection and more sympa-mesic greatment by the courts greater increase in claims in Britain.



National Westminster intro-duced on Mondey, in response to last week's sudden rise in the minimum lending rate, and a quarter point below the Lloyds increase.

With Bertlays still waiting to see where short-term money market rates settle, this means that all the big four clearers are working on different base rates, ranging between 5 and 7½ per cent. Ching's shopping list: Mr Li chaing (sight), China's foreign trade minister, who is in Britain to explore possibilities of increased trade, yesterday presented a "possibles" shopping ty of their base rate changes iden the margin over their six rates to 3½ per cent, land is accepting a reducin its spread from 3 to 2½ cent by parting up its rates even-day branch deposits by I point to 4 per cent.

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sented a "possibles" shopping list in Mr Edmund Dell (letf), Secretary of State for Trade, covering a wide range of technologies. Derek Harris writes. He singled out coal mining equipment as an item the Chinese would definitely want in order in substantial quarnity.

Later the Chinese delegation went by helicopter to Dunsfold, Surrey, for a demonstration by British Aerospace of the Harrier military jump jet escraft. The question of Chine's buying The question of Chine's buying the aircraft, which might raise difficulties, particularly with the United States, could come up in talks today with the Prime Minister. Mr Li told Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, that Peking was still considering whether to buy

rates, ranging between 6 and 7½ per cent. Unlike NatWest and Lloyds, isowever, which took the opportunity of their base rate changes to widen the margin over their deposit rates to 3½ per cent, Midland is accepting a reduction in its spread from 3 to 2½ per cent by partiag up its rates on seven-day branch deposits by a full point to 4 per cent. that there is going to be this further delay before the machinery for enforcing the code becomes operative. It is important that the business community should make it clean the interpretation of the community should make it clean the interpretation of the community should make it clean the interpretation of the community should make it clean the community should make it clean the community should be community to the community should be community to the community and the community should be compact. a full point to 4 per cent. Dr Burns gloomy over jobless outlook

Washington, Nov 29.—Dr in the growth of labour force Arthur Brans, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, said he doubted whether the unemployment rate would drop to an "acceptable level over the naxt few years".

He told a meeting of the American Council of Life insurance in New York that "the reason for scepticism was that a formidable array of structure.

few years."

He told a meeting of the American Council of Life insurance in New York that "the reason for sceptician was that a formidable array of structural factors was now impeding the smooth functioning of our chioux markets—much more so than was the case 10 or 20 years. than was the case 10 or 20 years

Dr Burns said that the most prominent of the structural factors was the recent upsurge

"to neutralize the massive over-payment of income taxes that stems from sophying standard accounting rules to our infla-tion-ridden economy".

Dr Burns emphasized the

need for increased business investment and added "I be-lieve that President Carter fully

substantially lessening the bstacles to business invest

He said he expects "that He said he expects "that economic policy generally—and both tax and energy policies specifically—will soon take on a more constructive character. "Over the next several months I anticipate that decisions in Washington will at last reduce uncertainty, Dr Burns said he would seri-

ously consider remaining a member of the Federal Reserve board if he was not reappointed to the chairmanship by Presi dent Carter.

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Equities went 2head Gilt-edged securities lost early gains. Dollar premium 98 per cent (effec-tive rate 37.83 per cent).

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Japan's promise helps to revive ailing dollar

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There was a revival in the dollar's fortunes yesterday as the markets reached after the lows reached on Monday in the wake of America's record made deficit.

deficit.

The feeling that the dollar will stabilize for a time at least is growing. Japan's promises to expand the economy and its apparent determination to halt the yen's rise at or below 240 to the dollar are a major influence. influence.

influence.

The yen fell back against the dollar to close at 243.4 yen, down 3.15 yen from Monday. The dollar climbed to DM2.222 and 2.1.5 Swiss francs.

Sterling closed down 42 points at \$1.8148 with an instance of the control of changed effective exchange rate of 63.3.

Gold Fields issue 87pc subscribed

Consolidated Gold Fields' ktest £40m rights issue was 87 per cent subscribed. The remaining shares were placed at a premium of 2p a share.

The issue—the fourth in 10 years—was pitched at two-fornine at 155p a share. On its amouncement Gold Fields' chares fall 20p m 177p and shares fell 20p to 177p and closed yesterday at 165p. The company is to use the proceeds to diversify from its' heavy reliance on South Africa

Courtaulds is m join the rapidly growing list of borrowers in the Eurosterling market. The company is to raise £20m by way of an issue of 12-year bonds, the proceeds to go mainly towards refinancing existing borrowings.

The indicated coupon is 92 per cent and the issue is being led by Hill Samuel.

How the markets moved

18p to 258p 14p to 368p 18p to 918p 16p to 2536 10p to 318p 5p to 243p 6p to 243p 6p to 51p

The effective exchange rate index W76 at 63.3. Gold lost \$1.75 an ounce SOR-5 was 1.187332 on Monday, while SDR-5 was 0.652953.

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East Rand Gold 25 The Annalgamated Dental Co 25 The Mid-Kent Water Co

4 pc output rise of developed nations forecast

-0.4

significantly lower than pre-viously expected by both the National Institute for Economic year. and Social Research and governments, according to the In- in export earnings of the lessstitute's latest forecast.

Out put in the mjor industrialized countries of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development is forecast to rise by only 4 per cent

this year and next.

World trade growth is expected to grow by 3 per cent to 4 per cent in volume terms this year, and by 6 per cent next year. This is higher than the most recent forecast by the OECD secretariat (of a 4 per cent rise next year), but below the United Kingdom Government's forecast of 8 per cent. A short-lived bout of food price inflation at the beginning

into thinking that a renewal of inflation was a bigger danger than a stalling of recovery. Industry has been much slower to invest than expected, and as a result unemployment has fallen less slowly than originally forecast in the United States, and has risen in Canada

of this year misled governments

and western Europe.

The Institute is more cheerful about inflation. There has been a marked slowdown in the underlying rate, with a levelling out—and in some a fall—in wholesale prices over the late spring and summer of this year. As yet consumer price rises have not slowed down so much.

and western Europe.

down so much.

The OECD area as a dhole is expected to have an average rate of consumer price infla-tion of less than 9 per cent this year, falling to 71 71 per per cent in 1978. commodities on

US banker

many and Italy.
Mr Ball, the senior managing director of Lehman Brothers, told a conference here

troops". Br Beli suggested that British shop stewards were a law unto

Great business uncertainties also existed in France with the

danger of communist gains in the forthcoming elections. Un-certainties weer siso serious in Italy, because of the powerful political role of the Communist

Party there. In Germany businessmen

were anxious about increased worker "co-determination" and actions of the extreme left

wing.
Mr Roger Anderson, chair-man of the Continental Bank,

son for tax cuts next year. This was vital if the economy was to

was vital it the economy was to enjoy sustained economic recovery. The tax cuts should total at least \$20,000m (about £11,050m) " with at least one third going to business".

Several of the speakers at this capital formation conference, including Mr William Simon, the former Secretary of

simon, the former Secretary of the Treasury, noted that they had become more optimistic about the prospects of a realis-tic tax cut and of prudent eco-

nomic policies

Mr Ball noted that policies

to strengthen the private sector and reduce government inter-

vention in business were essential otherwise there was a

danger that government's role in managing the economy would reach the point where rigidizies were so great, as was the case

in Britain, where socialism was

companies seeking assistance under the selective investment

The figure includes an interest relief grant of £10.5m awarded to Thames Board for

its £100m project to build a

cardboard-making factory in

scheme and yesterday was the

first to go before the Com-

£21m chemical project at Whitehaven. It is understood

that a few larger awards have yet to be disclosed.

mons for approval.

£10m state aid for £100m

Government grants totalling the domestic wood thinnings to the Department of Industry for companies seeking assistants.

Workington. The grant is the dred inquiries have been

largest so far made under the received leading to approval in

Previously, the largest published grant was £1,375,000 to
Albright and Wilson for a erament industry aid scheme

The Thames Board project and payments of £7m and rewill create 280 jobs at Workington and a further 350 in the ment of £264m.

Thames Board project

attacks

From Frank Vogi Chicago, Nov 29

By Our Economic Staff
World economic growth this inflation outlook, with a fall of year and next is likely to be more than 8 per cent in the price index of primary products in the third quarter of this

> However, the associated drop developed countries has weakened the prospects for world

> Institute forecasts of the balance of payments differ quite significantly from the OECD forecasts in some cases. For 1978 the United States deficit is lower, Japan's is higher, and Italy's much higher, than other for ecasts.

> Economic growth rates are forecast to diverge quite sub-stantially between countries. A satisfactory performance for America and Japan contrasts with an expected growth rate in western Europe of less than 2.5 per cent in 1977 and less than 3.5 in 1978.

Unemployment rates have been adjusted for differences in their calculation. A comparison of the adjusted rates shows Canada, Britain and the United States have the highest percentage of the work force in the dole queue—8.2, 6.7 and 6.8 per cent respectively in the third quarter of this year.

N Sea peak likely in 1984

North Sea oil will leave Britain slightly better off than it was before the oil price rise and considerably better off than it is now, according to an article by Mrs S. A. B. Page a member of the National Institute states.

She suggests that by 1985 the change rate cumulative effect of revenue the pound from the North Sea from oil stays there.

SUMMARY OF THE INSTITUTE FORECAST FOR UK Real personal
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FORECASTS FOR OECD COUNTRIES' INFLATION.

Per cent change year on year	US	Canada	Japan	France	West Germany	IMY	UK	Total OECO
Consumer	orices							
1977/76	6.5	8.0	8.5	9.5	4.0	19.5	16.0	8.6
1978/77	6.5	8.5	6.0	8.0	4.0	13.0	9.0	7.5
BDR								
1977/76	5.0	1.7	6.0	2.5	3.0	2.0	0.2	3.8
1978/77	4.3	4.0	6.0	9.5	3.5	2.0	3.4	4.0
Account	rent			-				
balance 1977	15.9	-5.2 -	-112	+1.4	+2.6	+ 2.5	+0.9	-27.3
1977	- 15.9 - 16.5		- 11.0 - 17.1	+5.0		+ 2.5	+3.9	-27.3

and gas will be to make the country overall \$15,539m (about £8,333m) better off than was at the beginning of the

The study assumes that the net benefit of the North Sea and the oil price increase of 1973 can be measured by deducting the extra cost which Britoin has had to pay for its oil from the total net revenue gained from North Sea opera-

tions.

This calculation, assumes oil prices do not rise as fast as the price of manufactures until 1980, when it starts to rise slightly. The study also assumes in its central forecast that exchange rate rises to \$2.25 to the pound by 1982 and then

The peak benefit on these assumptions comes in 1984, with a gain to the balance of payments of \$8006m net, which cause of increased remittances

The contribution of oil and gas to gross domestic product is estimated at 4 per cent in 1977, 61 per cent in 1980 and 71 per cent in 1985 when measured at 1975 prices.
That half of the contribution

which o'll will make to the economy is already apparent leads the author to conclude that many of the key decisions on how to use the funds gained have already apparent that many of the key decisions on how to use the funds gained than already to the second to the sec have already been taken without anyone being aware of the fact. The largest increase in the

output at current prices is assumed to be worth 55,000m now, £10,000m in 1980 and £14,000m in 1985. Production costs at the peak are assumed to be £1.70 a barrel, which is on the high side of most estimates.

Government receipts are ex pected to be \$1,282m this year (though the money will be paid in arrears £2,227m next year and rise to around £5,000m by the middle eighties.

Company profits are expected to go up to around £1,500m by the mid-eighties, though this gain is concentrated almost entirely in the oil sector.

Pay favours public sector

During the 1970s the relative pay of public sector blue col-lar workers improved by more than 10 per cent compared to those in the private sector

But there has been a recent reversal in the trend favouring the private sector. In the year to April 1977 there was a relative shift of 21 per cent to the private sector.

in an article by Mr Andrew Dean which updates previous work on pay relativities
Whereas private sector workers were generally betted paid
than public sector in the 1950s
and 1960s they have now been

The evidence from both the New Earnings Survey and a

ment follows the same pattern. Phases one and two of the

Japanese agree to standstill on steel exports to Community

unions in UK agreed to limit its steel exports in 1978 to the EEC to about the formed sources said roday.

Under informal arrangements for 1977 Japan has kept its exports of all steels to the Community to between 1.4 and 1.5 million tonnes with the six masters. Top American bankers and economists called today for a major Japanese companies accounting for 1.22 million tonnes of the total (Reuter

economists called today for a major sax cut next year to seimulate business capital investments. They forecast increasing capital flows to the United States from Europe and increased prospects of a sustained long-term American expansion.

Mr George Bail, the former Under Secretary of State and now one of the leading investment bankers on Wall Street, predicted that there were increasing chances of "substantial flows of capital to the This understanding will be prolonged for another year after talks between the European Coal and Steel Community and a Japanese trade delegation which ended here today, the tial flows of capital to the United States" because of mounting business uncertainties in Britain, France, West Ger-

sources said.

Both sides also discussed the minimum reference price due to be set soon by the United States for its steel imports.

Brothers, told a conference bere that doing business and planning investments in Britain was "very difficult" with businessmen facing increasing industrial disputes, extreme tax rates and "a very rebellious trade union group that by and large can not control their own large can not control their own.

Gatt told of plan for 40 pc

Commission officials said that nothing spectacular should be expected from the discussions of Mashington next week to explain the costing system of Japanese steel products.

The two sides agreed that Japan and the EEC would cooperate with the United States in setting the reference price which is likely to be based on the costs of Japanese steel production. Including

steel production, inc transport and insurance. Commission officials said contracts at lower level con-tinued in upreparation of high-level EEC-Japanese cquaultations held in Tokyo in the spring, and in Brussels in late autumn (AP-Dow Jones reports).

The high-level consultations are to open in Brussels tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Community and Japanese experts began two-day discussions on balance of pay-ments and trade problems.

the financial experts who would report to the consumation which The Community's major problem with Japan is a heavy trade deficit, expected at \$5,000h (about £2,762m) this year, up from \$4,200m in 1976.

The EEC maintains that its proportion of the cost of imports from Japan covered by exports to that country, will drop to near 39 per cent this year from 43 per cent in 1976. But the Japanese are arguing that the balance of invisible transactions should be considered as well, pointing to \$2,000m balance in favour of the Community in 1975 as an example.

Tokyo confirms increase in trade surplus

Tokyo, Nov 29.- Japen's revised visible trade surplus rose to \$1,860m in October from \$1,690m in September and \$1,140m in October less year, figure was unchanged from the preliminary surplus announced on November 17.

The ministry said free on board exports rose 15 per cent compared with October, 1976 to \$6,940m, while FOB imports rose 4 per cent to \$5,070m.

The year-on-year rates of rise compare with 12 per cent and 3 per cent respectively for exports and imports in September. In yen terms, the revised October visible trade surplus rose to 476.100m yen from 452,300m yen in September and 331,900m yen in September last

Mr Bob Scholey : talks with the

with unions reopen today By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

union leaders and the British Steel Corporation over ways to reduce the industry's crippling financial losses reopens today.

telks on aconomy measures that took place two weeks ago with Mr Bob Scholey, chief executive of BSC, at the corporation's London head quarters.

Details, rather than generalizations, about the curbacks may emerge at these talks, which follow an hour-long meeting yesterday between Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry and the TUC steel industry committee when ministers

slide.

The Department of Industry said in a statement last night that Mr Varley had emphasized the Government's determination to se the long-term viability of the industry secured. Steps to effect a commercial recovery had been discussed.

committee explained their con-

sears and usually sets the policy pattern.

So far, BSC has only said that it wants a profitable steel industry, with the unions agreeing a common programme of job reductions and the shifting of the shrinking order book from older, high cost plants to low-cost plant.

nagonations, and masses osswers, the Japanese delegate today told the annual conference of member countries of the General Agreement on Tariffs

and Trade.

He said his government had adopted as a working hypothesis a formula for a 40 per cent weighted average reduction in tariffs, with harmonization to be effected over 8 years after, the successful conclusion of the negotiations, expected next

man of the Continental Bank, which is sponsoring this conference, said that the business problems in Europe were far graver than those in the United States.

Mr Paul McCracken, the former chairman of the White House Council of Economist Advisers, called with Mr Anderson for tax curs next year. This

cut in tariffs over 8 years cent) and the European Com-Geneva, Nov 29 Japan is prodposing a 40 per Cent industrial tariff cut in the multilateral Tokyo Round trade megatistions. Mr Masso Sawaki last year with the supposis on

last year with the emphasis on cutting high rates.
With January 15 the deadline for tariff submissions, negotiators expect to have the first blueprint indicating probable Tokyo Round results on the table shortly afterwards.
The Japanese delegate also reaffirmed his governments' intention of reducing tariffs on a

tention of reducing tariffs on a number of items without waiting for the conclusion of the

A 40 per cent cut has already emerged in the negotiations as the most likely compromise so as to curb the worldwide acceptable to the United States (which originally sought 60 per

special survey into manual pay by the Department of Employgovernment's pay policy seem to have hit the public sector value of output are expected

BSC talks

Sir, By a chilly side wind that will blow from Brussels after The January 1, 1978 the lot of High Court in the Court in th will blow from Brussels after January 1, 1978 the lot of High Court debtors will be even more unfortunate than it is at holders", and those of county present.

A change in the law brought in by s.14 Finance Act 1977 to comply with the EEC sixth Directive on VAT has had the

The full executive of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, the industry's largest union, is talks on economy measures that

committee when ministers underlined government anxiety over the fodustry's financial

Leaders on the TUC steel

allowed to complete consultaand stressed the need to avoid and stressed the need to avoid "action that was socially dam-aging, left the industry unable to respond to an upturn in demand and allowed it to lose competitiveness through lack of essential investment."

Much now depends on today's exchanges between the ISTC and Mr Scholey. The confedera-tion has the biggest influence within the TUC steel committee, holding six of the 17 voting seats and usually sets the policy nattern

Revised Iran deal for Millbank

Work is being resumed by Mikibank Technical Services, the recently deconsolidated subsidiary of Crown Agents, on developing and building the Isfahan military and industrial centre in Iran.

A revised comract, which apparently provides for reviews in stages, envisages a less in stages, envisages a less ambitious package than when a protocol was signed with Millbank Technical Services ordnance in 1974, under which the Crown Agents linked up with building contractors J. Laing and George Wimpey.

The Isfahan deal was halted last December who nihe Iranian Military Industries Organization Military Industries Organisation terminated its relationship with Milibank Technical, claiming that the costs of the project had risen from an estimated £530m to £773m.

be used by the plant. The £10.5m is to be paid in tran-ches and the company will also qualify for regional develop-

ment grants, currently esti-mated at £18m, on the building

Since the start of the selec-

tive investment scheme in December, 1976, several hun-

Board project. A further 87

cases are under consideration

Latest details of other gov-ernment industry aid scheme have been revealed in the

Commons this week. The suc-cessful ferrous foundry scheme has led to offers totalling £58m

and plant costs.

Iranians had paid over £53m, even though negotiations of the been agreed. Construction work was placed on a care and maintenance basis while the situation was reviewed by all

tion was reviewed by all parties.

The importance of the amalier scale project means that Milibank Technical Services habitities will be correspondingly reduced. Withdrawal from the Isfahan project could have prompted losses to Miris of over £475,000 and a host of related problems. Renegotiation has taken place

under the general supervision of the Ministry of Defence. In association with the Ministry of Overseas Development, it has taken over control of MTS, which has £57.9m deposited at At December 31, 1976, the call with the Crown Agents.

APEX walks out

of Leyland pay

reform meeting

The biggest white collar union in Leyland Cars—the

Association of Professional Executive Clerical and Computer Staffs (APEX)—yesterday welked out of the pay reform negotiations affecting 20,000 staff employees

Mr Ray Edwards, assistant

general secretary of Apex, said the immediate implementation

of central wage bargaining for

staff at all 34 plants was being blocked by "the irresponsible attitude" of the Association of Commercial Technical and Supervisory Staffs (ACTSS),

This latest serback could put

an end to Leyland's plans to press ahead with central wage bargaining for staff, despite the

fact that similar negotiations affecting its 100,000 manual workers have been stopped by the TUC's refusal to lift the 12

months interval between pay

staff employees.

increases.

Of Jun 30

The Crown Agents have written off a film shareholding in MTS as well as f4.2m of accumulated profits under the transfer of control, which relieves the Agents of any contingent liabilities which may arise. arise.
MTS now has an order book worth £1,600m for defence and

other equipment and services and other equipment and services and is tracing profitably.

One of the uncertainties concerned the Isfohan contract, for which provisions had been made. Clearly, renegotiation of this deal are retriefly entired. thus deal on mutually satisfac-tory terms will minigate these uncertainties. A Treasury minute issued

earlier this month promised the Commons Committee of Public Accounts that the need to minimize the risk of liability to public funds arising from the MTS group's contracts would be

Plea for development of producer co-operatives By Caroline Atkinson 70 enterprises with a combined

One answer to industrial conflice in Britain could be pro-vided by the development of producer cooperatives along the lines of the 21-year-old Mon dragon cooperative in northern Spain, according to the four authors of a study,* published today, of the Mondragon experi

Traditional conflicts between workers and owners or managers have led to a worse inflation at any given level of unemployment and the recent acceptance in Britain of the need for some form ow worker

participation in industry.

Despite the poor track record of producer cooperatives in this country, the authors of today's report believe there could be an important third industrial sector based on common owner-Mondragon covers more than

includes wast is now the big-gest and most successful manufacturer of refrigerators, cookers and washing machines Several key features of the

organization are packed out by the authors. These include the democratic structure of control by the workers; their capital involvement through individual the individual industrial co-operatives and the cooperative bank which provides ground rules for managerial and finan-cial disciplines, and the important back-up services of mana-gerial advice provided by the tank.

Worker comers: the Mondragon achievement; Anglo-German foundation for the study of

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wanted—housing for a 24-hour community in the Square Mile

From Mr C. D. Woodward

Sir, As one who lives in the City, serves on its Court of Common Council and chairs irs amenity society, I beg to disagree with two of the views put forward in the article (November 1990). The shops and other services are so many the shops and other services and other services.

My company has been trading with lava since 1812 but when, in 1910, it incorporated and obtained a public quotation, the company and tradition, the company and tradition, the company and traditions. agree with two of the views The shops and other services put forward in the article need business that spreads (November 23) on Barbican across the whole day—that is and Circ haveing

and City housing.

First, it is just not true that for housing in the Square Mile. There are derelict sites, and run-down buildings which could be refurbished for residential use in the following areas: Smithfield—St Bartnoiomews (in particular in and around Little Britain; Bartholomew Lane and Cloth Pair); Liverpool Street Station; Cutler Street; Carter Lane; Garlick Hill; Lovat Lane; Bow

Lane. Second, there is the argument that it is too expensive to build housing in the City. My build more housing, the City's main function as a financial centre is going to suffer because it will become increasingly less attractive as a place in which to work. This is because the City's ay-time population (now

day-time population (now shrunk to 350,000) cannot itself sustain the servicesnotably shops and res-taurants — which the working

Sir, On what does Professor Michael Chisholm (November 24) base his assumption that the taxation of derelict land

would provide a substantial in-

centive to local authorities and nationalized industries to bring

In the first place there is frequently a reason for land to fall derelict such as planning blight, location, or the cost of development. Secondly, I fail

to see why development per se is likely to create a demand

for the end product and thirdly which particular aspect of their record to date per-suades him that they are com-petent to undertake a pro-gramme of urban development

on such a scale, even if the funds were available.

It may interest Professor Chisholm to know that rates

are now levied on empty build-ings. Since we may assume

From Mr John Gorst

why we must have more residents (and probably more tourthere is almost no room left ists) to sustain the services which are vital to the successeconomic activity. Housing, shopping, tourism and economic activity are all interdependent in the City.

This is the fundamental issue which the new City development plan needs to accept and encourage if it is successfully to chart the City's future in the coming years. C. DOUGLAS WOODWARD, Chairman, City Heritage

Society, 404 Gilbert House, Barbican EC2.

From Mr M. Nightingale Sir, A strong case can be made for the retention of an anomalous form of local government for the City of London based on the business vote, but there is a need for substantial reform.

As Christopher points out in his article in The Changing City population requires. Once upon a time when rents and rates were low, City shop-keepers could flourish on the in the City are entitled to vote.

creased costs now facing their

Yours faithfully,

From Mr H. M. Wilks

Sir, I would support what Pro-fessor Michael Chisholm wrote in your issue of November 24. The matter could, however, be

JOHN GORST,

VAT burden of High Court debtors

From the Under Sheriff of citect of making VAT payable

great majority of businesses by the very act of incorporation have been similarly disenfran-

chizeJ. Most of us who work in the ful continuation of the City's City would have to admit that we do not know in which ward or ecclesiastical parish our office is situated or the names of the aldermen, councillors or clergymen who are responsible for our welfare.

I suggest that the City Corporation should itself take the initiative by promoting legislation to ensure that everyone who has worked in the City for a qualifying period, apprenticeship in the modern sense, is encouraged and entitled to be admitted Freeman and that every Freeman has a vote in the govern-ment of the City. By this means all those working in the City will be made to feel a continuing and integral part of the ancient tradition that has made the City of London what

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL NIGHTINGALE Chairman, The Anglo-Indonesian Corpora-

Incentives from taxing derelict land and down the country so many offices and factories are still unlet, despite the levying of rates and the substantially inmore expeditiously and with

the full.

37 Queen Street. London EC4R 1BY.

present rating system.
What is perhaps most impor-What is perhaps most impor-tant, however, is that it imme-diately shows up those areas of land which are undeveloped, and those under-developed; further, it clearly indicates those which are ready for redevelopment. Also, as Profes-sor Chisholm points out, by landlords as a result.

Far better to landscape derelict land and zone it open space to relieve rather than add to the already overwhelming congestion of so many cities. levying the appropriate tax on undeveloped and under-deve-loped land, there is a financial incentive to use that land to

In other words, the use of site value rating not only incidentally compiles a Domesday Book of all land in the Upited Kingdom, in support of Hugh Rossi's call, but it also is of use in assisting proper land use and thus of importance to the economist and, in broadest terms, to the conservationist. Yours sincerely, RECTOR M. WILKS, BSc. FRICS (Dip.Rating),

taken a little further.

I was responsible for the only two pilot schemes on site value rating, which have been carried out on the ground since the last war. Both of them showed that a site value begin and the propile was called the site of them showed that a site value begin and the same of the site of t that only an insane corporation them showed that a site value will still voluntarily allow a basis would not only be perbuilding to remain empty, perfectly practicable in the United haps he can explain why up Kingdom but could be done 9 Harley Street, London, W1N 2AL

not on those through the county

Farliament still has time to prevent this unfair and unneces sary hardship. ALASTAIR BLACK,

Under Sheriff, The Office of the Sheriff of Greater London. 13-15 Arundel Street, London, WC2,

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Albert J. Mucklow, Chairman

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BASE RATE

The Bank of Scotland intimates that, as from 30th NOVEMBER, 1977, and until further notice, its Base Rate will be increased from 6% PER ANNUM TO 7% PER ANNUM.

LONDON OFFICES—DEPOSITS

The rate of interest on sums lodged for a minimum period of seven days will be 4% PER ANNUM, also with effect from 30th November.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Back to the interest rate cauldron

financial markets were gripped by a fresh bout of MLR fitters last night and there must be a strong case for the Bank of England to provide a speedy indication of its views on the situation before matters get out of hand. It may be that the monetary authorities feel that a further rise in MLR. say to 8 per cent, is necessary. But if they do not, then they should say so.

This latest bout of interest rate nerves has arisen partly because the Government Broker has not yet lowered his price for the "up" stock and attempted to reactivate

The question that poses is this: is potential demand weak because investors consider higher yields to be necessary, or because they simply do not have the money? If it is the former, then the authorities may have to give way to the market unless they feel that the news background and next week's banking figures. are likely to improve sentiment. If the later, then there must be a case for the authorities indicating that no useful purpose would be served by raising rates further at

this stage. The hope in that case would be that the appetite of the long-term funds would start to revive once the BP call was out of the way and year-end income started to flow in a big way. The risk, of course, is that having held rates down for several weeks, a bad news background or worrying money supply figures would still force an eventual increase in rates.

Building societies

Pressure on the medium-sized

Converts to the "small is beautiful" theory will be dismayed to hear of the merger between the £700m Anglia and £500m Hastings and Thanet building societies. But they would be wrong to criticize it since few would dispute the fact that there are roo many building societies. The number is gradually diminishing—18 vanished last year and 24 the year before bringing the total at the end of 1976 to 364. Of these at least: 100 are insignificant.

The growing polarization between the national and local societies has left mediumsized ones in limbo from which they try to escape by expanding to national size. And no matter how hard they try there is no other way now in which they will catch up with the Halifax, Abbey National, Nationwids, Leeds Permanent, Woolwich and Alliance all with assets over £1,000mexcept by mergers.

Investors and borrowers should welcome his. An enlarged society should be more efficient and branch office expansion which enables them to operate on narrower harding.

For several years the giant societies have been chaffing at the constraint of single recommended investment and mortgage rates, for all societies, large and small The first hints of open rebellion are zere with the Abbey, followed by the Leeds

and Britannia, refusing to trim its invest-nent rate to existing savers at the begin-ling of the month. As a result of this con-WAY reserves and rates are fixed will be forthcoming; they are mlikely to ease the pressure on mediumkized Societies: So, expect more mergers.

GROUP Company law

Still chasing LIMITED the 'insider'

ne 1977

There are no real surprises in the Department of Trades White Paper on directors' responsibilities and insider trading. There will be quibbles about the precise form of directors should have statutory responsibiliwords but the guts of the proposals that ties, to employees as well as shareholders, that leans to directors should be more tightly controlled and that insider trading should become a criminal offence—are now very much part of mainstream opinion in

industry and the City. The White Paper does not have all the asswers, however. On insider trading it has thosen the route, opposed by the account-

To all intents and purposes

the problem has been solved by

Thanet, joint chief executives of the new society, to be called the Anglia, Hastings and

the typically Erirish compro-mise of making Peter Wilkin-son and Eric Argent, the gen-tal managers respectively of the Anglia and the Hastings and

treated as an insider, rather than the wider approach favoured in the United States of regarding insiders simply as those with inside information. The problem of defining is that it opens the way for the ingenious insider to find a way round the letter of the law while breathing its spirit, although the problem is largely met by extending the definition of an insider to those who deal on information they know to come from an insider.

The broader issue that remains is what the proper posture will be under the new legislation for institutions and smck brokers analysts who are daily privy to information from companies not generally available to other shareholders.

The other grey area is the question of directors' responsibilities to employees. The principle is unexceptionable, but the application may be more difficult. For example, the White Paper says it will be lawful for directors to make provision for employees or former employees when closing down the whole or any part of the business. But where should the directors drawn the line between their duties to employees and to shareholders? The department's answer is that this must be left to the judgment of the board, but the question then is whether an unfortunate board might not find itself simultaneously the subject of claims from shareholders and employees that their inteersts have been under-represented

More fundamentally still, however, the issue is whether these proposals will actually be enacted, given the possibility of an election intervening mefore the 1978-79 parliamentary session.



It was the turn of Midland Bank, chaired by Lord Armstrong of Sanderstead (above) to set the cat among the pigeons over base rates yesterday with its decision to under-cut both National Westminster and Lloyds by pushing up its rate by only three quarters of a point to 61 per cent. And perhaps even more surprisingly in view of the squeeze on domestic banking profits to accept a 2 per cent drop in the spread between base and deposit rates.

With money market rates continuing to harden through the day, it looks as though NatWest's adventurous response to last week's MLR rise may be right, although Barclays is still waiting to see how the interest rate tea leaves settle before making its move.

Clearers are still being reticent about their precise reasons for diverging after on the same interest rate, esca since their base rate cartel was swept aside to pave the way for Competition and Credit Control in 1971, and clearly with differing dependence on current account and whole sale money there is the s cope t gremain out of line. But interest rate trends have never got the banks so flummoxed before to lead to four separate base rates and their real reason for moving apart probably ha smore to do with how they see sterling loan demand developing over the next few

Whether there ma yalso be some political milage in being seen to compete is also a most point but with the Price Commission not to mention the Wilson Committee looking at their activities it cannot do them anv harm.

Meanwhile, the latest base rate moves underline how misleading it has become to gauge them from money market rates. Conventional wisdom used to be that base rates where three month inter-bank rates plus a margin for low yielding reserve assets like Treasury bills but with the increasing volatility of interest rates that sort of correlation no longer holds.

Ships Swan Hunter could ill afford to lose

Mr Edmund Dell, the Trade Secretary, leaves for talks with Polish Government leaders next Monday amed at promoting made and economic co-operation between the two

His visit comes at a particularly inampicious moment in view of the surprising and tragic decision yesterday of 1,700 workers employed by Swan Hunter to continue their overtime ban and thus effectively deprive the yard of seven sips as part of the £115m Polish shipbuilding deal.

The emphoria created last week with the signing of the shipbhilding contract with Poland—a controversial deal in itself because of the large amount of tampayers money inamount of exponers money in-wolld—quickly evaporated when it becamse clear that the workers concerned, who "fit out" ships, had determined to use the offer of the seven 16,500 ton deadweight bulk carriers for their yard as a lever to promote their claim for parity with the boiler-makers

The Poles, who had succeeded in forcing some fairly severe comes in the course more than 18 mouths of negoriations, can hardly have been encouraged by the spectacle of this fight on Tyneside.

Demands for written gnaran-full cooperation in meeting tight delivery schedules, in volving hours of talks between union leaders and shop stew-ards of the dogged "outfit" workers, have come to nothing.
Last minute relaxation of deadlines has not helped British
Shiphuilders at a time when it
needed to match its words with action.

Swan Hunter desperately needed the work on the seven Polish ships, worth 552m. The soup's yards are now virtually devoid of merchant shipbuilding contracts. Most of the activity is centred on the con-struction and fitting our of destroyers and the first of the Royal Nacy's through-deck cruisers, with a contract for the Iranian Navy also on the

Apart from the warship contracts, Swen has only two merchant ship orders—a bulk carrier and a small vessel for British Nuclear Fuels. The object this Nuclear Fuels. The object has been simmering and boiling up periodically for more Swan was that the yard would benefit from "series production" of the same type of ship aid this would therefore improve the charges of meeting engages, incomes policy in

the igh delivery schedule. Several hundrd workers have been kep on for h past few months-although there has been littl work for hem to do-in the hope that

prove the changes of meeting

The sceenworkers were retained for a further period when it began to look as though the Polish contract when it began to fook as though the Polish contract without achieving their objectwould be clinched. Now redunded states the steelworkers in the face.

Ironically, they are members and the company's manage of the Boilermakers Society,

ernment's incomes policy in the summer of 1975.

The outfit trades attempted

unsuccessfully to achieve parity with the boilermakersthe elite of the shipbuilding industry's labour force who have jealously guarded their h company would secure have jealously guarded their some ships from a large position for generations—by Nigerian contract that was lodging a cliam in the summer being negotiated

That order was eventually imposed and six months ahead spin between Yugoslavia and South Korea.

In support of their demands they went on strike for nine weeks and returned to work

trades to accept the terms of negotiated between British Shipbuilders and the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions.

All appeals have gone un-needed and the outlit workers have refused to call off their three-month long ban on over-rime. The tragedy is that other unions on Tyneside have provided the assurances demanded by British Shipbuilders, yet it will be some of those who have given a commitment who

are likely to find themselves on the dole after Christmas. Mr George Arnold, chairman Mr George Arnold, chairman of the Tyne dsirrict of the CSEU, said after yesterday's overwhelming vote against lifting of the overtime han: "I feel very sad. If the order had been obtained we could still have proceeded with the claim

Thousands of shipyards workers on Tyneside will be less diplomatic in their reac-

Peter Hill

Two bids to restore faith in investment trusts

British Rail's pensions funds British Rail's pensions funds had, by last night, narrowly won control of the £75m Edinburgh and Dundee Investment Company, and extended its offer in the hope that further shareholders will now accept. Its victory will give rise to great relief in the City this morning. By the standards of the investment trust industry the hid vestment trust industry the bid is a big one and, together with the coal board pension funds' bid for British Investment Trust, has been watched with particular interest. The outcome of the two offers is seen as

the industry as a whole.

If they succeed, there is every chance that the sector, worth some £3,50m in the stock market, wil move into a new and more confident phase. If they fall, it will be thrust into a period of renewed uncer-menty.

At issue is whether investment trusts in their traditional form can curvive as growing invest-ment vehicles.

Recent history gives every reason to question the long-term future of the sector. As the accompanying chart shows,

The sector's shares have encountered increasing disenchantment in the stock market over the past five years 9

encountered increasing dis-enchantment in the stock market over the past five years. This has been reflected in the

This has been reflected in the growing discount to underlying asset values at which grust shares have been selling.

From less than 5 per cent at one stage in 1972, the everage discount for the sector widened to a peak of more than 40 per cent in November last year, although since then it has contracted again thanks to a series of bads.

tracted again thanks to a series of bids.

The trusts themselves are by no means wholly to blame for the growing discount. They were originally conceived as a means whereby private investors could gain access to a wide spread of investments, but the general erosion of middle class wealth has meant that private investors have been steady sellers of all chares, including investment trusts.

Further, private individuals

investment trusts.

Further, private individuals have increasingly been weaned away to unit thrusts, which ere simpler and have in the past promoted themselves strongly.

Institutions have thus come to dominate the investment to dominete the investment trust secur, as they have the whole of the equity market. Institutions, however, are not natural buyers of investment trusts. The wide spread of inversets which makes trusts attractive to private investors hold few obvious charms for penion funds and insurance companies.

Companies.

They already have big, broadly-based portfolios, together with the internal expertise to manage them. Buying trust shares is tantamount to admitting they have more faith in the trust's managers than they do in their own.

Trusts have never consistently entracted the creek

market es a whole anyway and, while they offer capital gains tax advantages, they suffer the offsetting disadvantage for income-conscious institutions of income-conscious institutions of sangrafly providing before generally providing below average dividend yields. Insti-tutions here thus also been met sellers of investment trust

A further technical problem has been the persistent over-hang on the market of the flood of new issues, totalling more than £500m, made by invest-ment trusts in the halcyon days of 1972. The end result has been an oversupply of invest-ment trust shares, which is chiefly to blame for the grow-ing discounts.

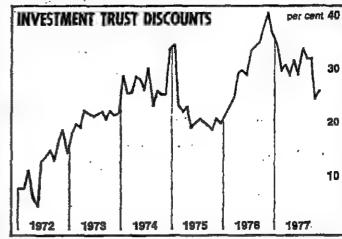
ing discounts.
Clearly, when discounts reach as high as 40 per cent, they make a sonsense of the concept of investing in shares through the indirect medium of direct purchase. Trust managers have explored

a variety of ways of reducing discounts to more palatable levels or eliminating them entirely. Improved publicity has played a part in this, but the more fundamental alternatives that have been looked at are liquidation, utilization or take

The first two of these are problematic and can effectively be ruled out except in isolated cases. Both involve surrendering 25 per cent of the dollar premium on overseas investment (about 10 per cent of the ment (anour 10 per cent or me average trust's assets), making capital gains tax payments on previously unrealized gains in the trust's portfolio and unravel-ling loan capital.

Liquidation could involve large casts and, in the case of big trusts, might be hard to achieve without a harmful effect on the equity market as a whole

on the equity market as a whole In the event of unitization— that it, conversion into a unit trust, which sells at a price fully reflecting its underlying asset value—managers would also have to consider the possibility that there would be big sales of the units, creating serious problems for the new trust. That leaves takeovers. So far



Average discount for the investment trust sector to net asset values, deducting prior charges at per and including full dollar premium. Source: Laing & Crulckshank.

this year there has been a stream of bids, chief among which have been Commercial Union's takeover of Estates House, the Prudential's takeover of Standard Trust and European Ferries' takeover of English & Caledonian.

Some of the proceeds of these bids have been reinvested in the sector, with consequent impact on discounts. But as recently as September the aver-

recently as September the average discount was still over 30 per cent, suggesting that investors did not yet believe that the problem of oversupply had been seriously tackled.

Edinburgh and Dundee and BIT are a different matter, however. The former has assets of almost £90m and the latter of £100m. Coming so closs together the bids are certain to have a significant impact on the rest of the sector if they rest of the sector if they succeed.

elsewhere, helping to reduce the surplus of supply over demand, which is essential if discounts are to stabilize at a low level.

are reluciant to bow out of their trusts on anything except the best possible terms and the coal board pension funds have elready made a concession with a minimum price offer that is likely to be higher than the "formula" bid. Bur the danger

Other would be pension fund
Some money would flow back bidders could be deterred by
no trust shares, giving prices the prospect of having to pay

Both trusts' managers have. however, opposed the deals, however, opposed the deals, essentially on the grounds of the bidders using the wrong definition of asset value in formulating their offers and the bid prices being too low? What if shareholders accepted their arguments? Understandably,

in rejection, if backed by share-holders, would be that it could leave the sector in limbo for a long time to come.

a lift and cutting discounts, and too high a price or, alternativesome would probably move ely, by the possible humiliation

of being beaten off. That would problems unsolved and the discounts would, in all probability.

widen again.
If both hids succeed, on the other hand, the sector will be buoyed up further by the propect of more bids to come from other institutions, for whom the purchase of investment trusts can be seen as the quickest and cheapest way to move a large sum of money into the equity market without adversely affect-

market without adversely affecting general price levels.

Trusts would then have to consider their long-term rationale and how they could offer something that would make them attractive to the institutions as investments.

Some managers, notably Ivory & Sime and Rothschild, have already explored the potential

siready explored the potential by concentrating on specialist investments of the kind which most institutions cannot under-take properly for themselves. It may be specialization in particu-lar foreign markets, or in special sectors of the economy such as energy. It may be in fast growing but small com-panies, which institutions cannot manage in a big portfolio, but which trust managers can monitor successfully. If the prospect of rationaliza-

tion of the sector from within were to fail, it would be herd to avoid the conclusion that such evenues would be the only such avenues would be the only ones with a real future and that some of those trusts with big portfolios of "blue chip" holdings would be consigned to a steady and debilitating loss of investment following.

In particular, the losers would be those trusts with a market of value of, say, less than £20m, which are too small to be attract.

which are too small to be attractive to institutions. Reorganization into bigger groupings mus, be an essential first step.

Christopher Wilkins



The following companies managed by Drayton Montagu Portfolio Management Limited have recently published their Directors' Report and Accounts:—

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Much the most difficult thing about building society mergers amalgamating the people, particularly the senior mana-ser. The proposed merger be-liven the Anglia and the Hast-Communication is a fine ngs and Thaner societies is no

How long this new arrangement will last is anyone's guess. Such compromises have not That should prevent squabb-ling if nothing else, and so should the admission that both livays succeeded in the building society movement.
watchers of mergers within the industry will testify. The prob-lem is specially difficult with this merger, because there is rerecognize that the situation will be difficult. However, they have known each other personmarkably little to choose be-

Meen the two men.

Both are self-effacing 55-year-Neither had been in the habit of running his society as a perold accountants and-still a sonal fief (for they had to conleaders—neither has been a send with stronger than average board) and the two strongly betime server with the movement. lieve that beating their heads Williason was with PE manageagainst a blick wall for growth mem consultants before he bined Anglia 14 years ago. is furile when they could do better by getting together.

Argent was with merchant ban-kers Antony Gibbs before moving to the quieter pastures of Rastings and Thanet 18 years Long-winded business names: however much they may lag be-hind the rest of the developed world in some refinements of modern living, South Africans can be as verbosc as anybody cise. Consider, for example, the exquisitely named Working Group on Procedures and Documentation of the Organisation for the Simplification of Inter-national Trade Procedures in



Worse still, I didn't have time to look it up before I went to hear the committee's chairman. Basil de Ferranti, speak in London yesterday. But I needn't

spread ignorance about the committee and its works the centre-piece of what he had to say. He was addressing a meet-ing organised by the Engineer-ing Employers' Federation and the CBI and attended largely by

The ESC, de Ferranti reminded all those present, is a col-lection of pressure groups employers, trade unionists, consumers and farmers to name but a few—whose job it is to advise Brussels whether pro-posed legislation is "socially

ng, but one does rather have to take into account the quality of what is being communicated, so I felt emboldened to ask de Ferranti what he regarded as the ESC's single biggest success and failure during his steward-

Ferranti replied that be would duck the question "quite delib-erately and unashamedly", as it was impossible to compare the mportance of the committee's irfluence on a great many de-As for failure, he eventually allowed that the inability of an ESC subcommittee to agree on worker participation after two years' deliberation might be accounted as such, although on the other hand it might be

the other hand it might have been a success in establishing that nobody could agree on this An ESC member, June Evans, was a little clearer. She said

that Brussels had adopted the

committee's line on the transport and slaughter of animals. Secondly, she pointed with pride to her successful sugges-tion that ESC meetings should be graced by an alarm, to sound

Oxford vesterday.

He was last at Oxford in 1946, when as a student at the Ecole des Sciences Politiques the came to take part in an inter-mayersity 800 - metre sprint, and to his chagrin finished second. Teininger was able to throw

a side-light on the interest in singleutiding of Michael Grylls, the Tory MP for North-West Surrey and chairman of the Opposition's Industry Commit-Grylls, who is asking the

was once Tartinger's British distributor—champagne being a drink not uncommonly asso-ciated with the launching of

spoken for 12 minutes, Airs out the matelots, who were Evans neatly countered by saying that she had been asked to by the time the mirralt



A mere 32 years' service between them: Hastings and Thanet's Eric Argent and Anglia's Peter Wilkinson in London yesterday.

I used to know what the EEC's Economic and Social Committee did, but I forgot. ally for a long time.

have worried.

De Ferranti made the widemembers of employers' associa-

> He spoke glowingly of the constant communication" achieved as much between the

ESC and the powers that be as Claude Taininger, preside between the members of the and director general of the and director-general of the Taittinger champagne house (and owners of Paris horels, among them the Crillon) renewed an acquaintance with

Taininger was at New College to address the university's wine circle on champagne.

Public Accounts Committee to investigate the terms of the Poles' £115m shipping order,

The practice of serving free drinks on non-IATA airlines, pride to her successful suggestion that ESC meetings should be graced by an alarm, to sound after four minutes' speechifying. This had been greeted with dismay by the Italians and the Irish who, she said, like at least 10 times as long to develop a point.

Both she and de Ferranti spoke for much longer than this yesterdzy. When I pointed out that by my count she had more it took too long to dry.

Both are elected council memers of the Building Societies The indications at the mon-

ent are that Wilkinson will con-centrate on long-term developnent and Argent on administrafor a Bth reckon that they will have twice as much work to do as before.





Clydesdale Bank

BASE RATE

Clydesdale Bank Limited announces that with effect from. 30th November, 1977, its Base Rate for lending is being increased from 6% to 7% per annum

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M/S D. V. Reddi Pantilu & M. S. R. Sobrahasayam.
Advocates for Applicant in each of the applications.
Hydorated, 15.11.77.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH AT HYDERABAD, INDIA (ADMIRALTY URISDICTION)

CADMIRALTY URISDICTION)

Between: HEMPEL'S MARINE PAINTS Represented by their consultation of the consultation of YAM, Advocates for Plaintiff.

Hyderabad. 15.11.1977.

BERNARD PHILLIPS, Chartered Accountant, Wholice is hereby given, porsugant to Section 293 of the Companies Act 1948, that a MEETING of the GREDITORS of the above Company will be held at the Houldsworth Hall. 90 Deansgate, Monchester on Friday, 9th day of December 1977 at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose; mentioned in Sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.

Dated this 22th day of November 1977.

By Order of the Board

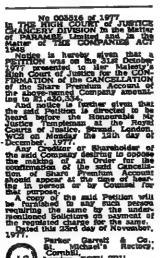
Re: FARNWAY Limited T/A SWISS COTTAGE SAUNA and the Companies Act, 1948.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 295 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a MEETING of the Companies Act, 1948, that a MEETING of the Company will be held 2.76 New Cavendish Street. London. Wild BAH on Thursday. The 191 day of December, 1977 at 11.50 o'clock in the forenoon. for the purposes mentioned in Sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.

Dated this 16th day of November. 1977. 1977.
DAVID JAMES MACDONALD.

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distributions made before such Debts are proved. Dated this 15th day of November, DAVID J. BUCHLER. In the Matter of NOPI Limited and in the Matter of THE COMPANIES ACT 1948
Notice is harely glown that in the Matter of THE COMPANIES ACT 1948

Notice is hereby given that the reditors of the above-memod Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 51st day of Derember, 1977, to send in their unit Ciristian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions and the names and the names of their control of the said Company, by the control of the said Company, and the liquidator of the said Company, and the liquidator of the said Company, and the remaining from the said Company, and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Soliciors, to come in and prove their debts of claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default there is such drives of the provided from the benefit of any distribution made before such orders are proved.

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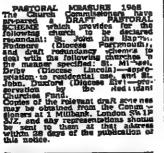
THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948 to 1967. THE TELEVISION DEPARTMENT Limited is hereby given, pursuant to section that a MELTING of the Companies that a MELTING of the Companies of the above named to the companies of the above named to the companies. The companies of the above named company will be held at Hall 17, Vincenter House, London Wall, Londo Order of the Board, D. WILDER, Secretary.

In the matter of O.E.S. Ltd. by order of the HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE dated the 12th August 1977 MEVILLE ECKLEY F.C.A. of Pentroko House, 44 Wellosiey Road, Croydon, has been APPOINTED LIQUIDATOR of the abovenamed company WITHOUT A COMMITTEE OF INSPECTION.

Dated ord November 1977.

FRANK GRAHAM & PARTNERS, Consulting Engineers of London. Reading & Exeter, wish to state that they have the connection whatsoever with FRANK GRAHAM & PANT-NERS Limited, which company is the subject of the Winding Up Petition announced in The Times, 18th November, 1977.

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Stock markets

MLR doubts fail to stop rally

In very thin and sensitive trading equities chose to dis-regard the unfavourable back-ground news to stage another technical rally. "Cheap" buyers were encouraged at first by the Prime Minister's firm but sym-pathetic stand against the fire-men which dealers saw as an attempt to reach a long-term

Prices moved further ahead as the "bears" began to feel the pinch and closed down and then moved to their best levels of the day as jobbers marked up to spur further action. This they failed to do and the FT

Lindustries' shares were again strong, climbing 6p to 151p where they are 16p above Han-son Trust's abortive bid price and more than 50p higher than in early October. A line of shares changed hands at 1501p, and dealers now believe the busing is sufficiently purposeful to herald another bid. Hanson Trust declined to comment.

Index, 10.4 up at 3 pm, closed a little off the top at 474.1, a net gain of 9.6 on the day. In the gilt-edged market trad-ing also lacked substance but prices held up well to a wide-spread rumour that the authorities were considering another one per cent rise in MLR this

Lloyds were both 5p to the good at 275p.

With the BP shares due to go fully paid on Friday both the

Thorpe 11p to 49p. The prospect

George Bassett rose 6p to 140p

and proved to be one of a num-

ber of firm features in the food

sector. Other strong spots in-

rationalization in the drinks industry spurred speculative demand for issues like Arthur Bel, up 14p to 364p, Highland 5p to 120p and Distillers 8p to 171p. After Monday's late news of an approach G. Drew firmed another 2p for a close of 130p. Ahead of figures due next week George Rassett rose 6p to 140p

Among engineers and electricals the best supported spots were GKN up 9p to 2.78p. Vickers 5p to 177p, GEC 5p to 243p and EMI which ended 5p to the good at 210p. But in spite of the vote to continue the overtime ban and the possible jeopardy to the Polish orders Swan Hunter held steady at 158p.

cluded Kwik Save 7p to 227p, Wheatsheaf 7p to 160p, Rown-tree Mackintosh 5p to 385p and Associated Dairies which soared Another with labour problems an exceptional 18p for a close of 258p. News of possible business in Reed International but the shares responded to a favourable circular and closed 3p the Middle East lifted Tarmac a couple of pence to 142p while favourable coment limited FW

ahead at 127p.

In spite of the new trend in interest rates property shares moved ahead notably MEPC that higher interest rates will be good for margins helped the which gained 5p to 114p in front of figures. After a statement Property & Reversionary
"A" gained 4p to 292p
Higher rates in the money
market confirmed carlier fears

clearing banks to stage another strong rally. Midland after its base rate cut rosae 7p to 375p and there was a similar gain to 325p for Barclays. The other two, National Westminster and Lloyds were both 5p to the of another rise in MLR and late on some were even talking of a 2 per cent jump.

At 63p Rolls-Ropce Motors was undisturbed by reports of

Jubilee car for the Queen at Mulliner Park Ward. The shares only prop is the 10.3 per cent yield. Group United Kingdom car sales figures for the first 10 months of this year

were 1.090 against 1,315 in the A flurry of speculative interest lifted Dundee textile group Sidlaw Industries 7p to 104p citer 196p. There were no names of likely suitors but it was pointed out thes the offshore drilling and servicing subsidiary, which non produces about 40 per cent of profits, is an abrious attrac-

ame months the year before. The hard pound is not beloing American profits either. Equity turnover on November 28 was 64.4 nullion (11.967 baraccording to Exchange Teleaccording in Exchange Ielegains). Active stocks yesterday,
graph, were BP partly paid,
FAT Industries, Beecham, BAT
Dfd, GEC, ICI, Shell, Marks &
Spencer, Reed International,
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Latest results

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	one per cent rise in MLR this week. Long dates opened cautiously but within minutes were a quarter point better. These levels were held until lunchims when they started to fall back and by the close were a quarter point below their overnight levels. At the shorter end the Midland base rate cut was interpreted as competitive and inspired early gains. But these levels were not held and by the end of the session most stocks were one quarter or three eighths off. Renewed takeover talk boosted John Brown no less	Beigrave (1) Burnett & Hall (1) Daily Mail Tst (1) Fine Art Devs (1) Hargreaves Gp (1) Hicking Pent (1) Leeds & Dist (F) Marting Inds (1) Prop & Rev (1) Rexmore (1) Rowlinson (1) Sena Sugar (F) Slivrihrne Gp (F) Tecalemit (1) Dividends in this t	-(-) 17.2(12.7) 70.4(57.8) 4.3(3.8) 7.5(5.8) 6.5(5.0) -(-) 14.1(12.6) -(-) 33.0(34.4) 4.5b(3.3) 15.6(12.5) 1.5(1.3) able are shown ross basis. To	establish eross	miniply the act	Div pence 1.2(1.1) -(-1 1.4(1.2) 4.3(3.9) 0.80(0.55) 1.3(1.16) 2.33(2.3) 0.5(0.43) 2.0(2.0) 1.25(1.10) 0.72(0.66) Nil/Nil/1 1.0(1.0) 1.7(1.2) 1.1(1.0) Elsewhere in dividends by	Pay dife 2 2 2 24 1 19 1 127/1 1 18, 1 1 1 2 Business 1,515, Pr	Year's [1.86] -(1.86) -(2.6) -(2.5) -(11.4) -(1.20) -(2.8) -(6.4) 3.0(2.7) -(1.6) -(2.6) -(2.2) -(Nill) 1.5,1 h) -(2.2) -(2.1) News dividen
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Rexmore limits sights

Textiles group Rexmore made pre-tax profits of £580,000 in the six months to September 30 against £338,000 last time. Turnover was up by 12 per cent from £12.6m to £14.15m.

However, the board say the figures are not comparable as the 1976 interims have been adjusted for the disposal of the hardware subsidiary Unerman Holdings and the latest figures include turnover and profits for J. Rosenthal & Sons which was acquired in March for a total of £1.45m cash.

Underlying profits growth is

put at 18 per cent, indicating that Resenthal made £179,000 in the six months on turnover of about £1.5m. The company expects a similar contribution in the second half. The acquisition brought with

it £825,000 cash in Resenthal and this has helped control bon rowings. Gearing is now at around 50 per cent compared with about 60 per cent earlier

The gross interim dividend is 1.8939p per share. The shares improved 4p yesterday to 61p where they yield a prospective 10 per cent.

St Regis seek Reed, Smith

St Regis International, the company at 33p per share last United Kingdom arm of St Regis Year. of New York, the fifth largest paper group in the world, is smith and the NEB have indimensions an agreed bid for Reed & Smith and the NEB have indicated they will accept the bid in respect of their holdings. & Smith Holdings which values

the company at £5.1m. The 63p per share cash bid means that the National Enter-30 per cent stake it took in the the debenture stock.

have Ogilvy Benson & Mather making a total of 37 per cent of the equity.

St Regis are also offering 70p prise Board stands to make a for the preference shares, par profit of £720,000 on the near for the loan stock and 93p for

Midland Bank **Base Rate**

Midland Bank Limited announces that with effect from Wed. Nov. 30th 1977, its **Base Rate** is increased by ₹% to 6₹% per annum.

Deposit Accounts

Interest paid on accounts held at branches and subject to 7 days' notice of withdrawal is increased by 1% to 4% per annum.



Midland Bank

NOTICE OF ISSUE

AURIDGED PARTICULARS Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange for the undermentioned Stock to be admitted

The Mid Kent **Water Company**

OFFER FOR SALE BY TENDER OF

£5,000,000

7 per cent. Redeemable Preference Stock, 1982 Minimum Price of Issue £99 per £100 Stock

yielding at this price, together with the associated tax credit at the current rate, £10.71 per cent. This Stock is an investment authorised by Section 1 of the Trustee Investments Act, 1961 and by paragraph 10 of Part II of the First Schedule thereto. Under that paragraph, the required rate of dividend

on the Ordinary Capital of the Company was 4 per cent. but, by the Trustee Investments (Water Companies) Order, 1973, such rate was reduced to 2.5 per cent. in relation to dividends paid during any year after 1972. The Stock will be entitled to a dividend of 7 per cent. per annum without deduction of tax. Under the imputation tax system, the associated tax credit at the rate of 34/66ths of the distribution, is equal to a rate of 3 20/33rds per cent. per annum.

Tenders for the Stock must be made on the Form of Tender supplied with the Prospectus and must be accompanied by a deposit of £10 per £100 nominal amount of Stock applied for and sent in a scaled envelope to Deloitte & Co., New Issues Department, P.O. Box 207, 128, Queen Victoria Street, London EC4P 4JX marked "Tender for Mid Kent Water Stock", so as to be received not later than 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 6th December, 1977. The balance of the purchase money is to be paid on or before Thursday, 12th January, 1978.

STATUTORY AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Under an arrangment with the Southern Water Authority in accordance with the provisions of the Water Act, 1973 the Company supplies water in approximately 794 square miles of the County of Kent (being the equivalent of more than one-half of the area of the administrative County) and comprising part of the City of Canterbury, parts of the boroughs of Ashford, Gravesham, Maidstone and Medway and parts of the Districts of Dartford, Sevenoaks, Shepway, Swale, Tonbridge and Malling and Tunbridge Wells; and also part of the District of Rother in the County of East Sussex. The Company is at present supplying a population of approximately 500,000 with an average of 25 million gallons of water daily.

Copies of the Prospectus, on the terms of which alone Tenders will be considered, and Forms of Tender may be obtained from:-

Seymour, Pierce & Co., 10, Old Jewry, London EC2R 8EA.

National Westminster Bank Ltd., 3, High Street, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XU and 11, The Parade, Canterbury, Kent CT1 2SQ.

or from the Offices of the Company at High Street, Snodland, Kent MES 5AH.

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Delay in Christmas orders pins Airfix hopes on final quarter

line with much of the toy trade Airfix Industries is still waiting for the customary rush of orders from the shops which has become the rule.

This year, however, most shops are restricting their buy-ing while they let their stocks run down.

Airix normally has a space of

lazz orders for delivery before December 10 or 12, but any tax repayments due under the Mini audget will come too late to affect manufacturers' deliveries before Christmas, even though ti should boost sales in the shops. should boost safes in the shops.

For his part, Mr Relph Ehrmann, the group's chairman, hopes that the shops will have a big sell-out over Christmas, as Airfix could then look for a good final quarter to March 31.

It is still too early to say how the second half will compare with the £3.35m made last year, but the first six months to September 30 has been hard-hit by the depression. Turnover



dipped from £18.9m to £18:5m while pre-tax profits dropped 13 per cent to £1.55m. 13 per cent to £1.55m.

Profits from the general here went up from £253,000 to plastics side, which includes the £606,000.

Since September, there has been some improvement for the group, but little sign of the upsurge in retail demand forecast

by the Government.

Mr Erhmann says that the Brimin's biggest manufacturer of greetings cards, increased reduction in interim profits is a "reflection of the off-take of toys in a period of depression £1.15m in the half-year to In the domestic consumer mar-ket." The signs of this came

By September the group, which owns 56 per cent of Tri-ang Pedigree, cut out the work-ing week of Tri-ang's Merthyr Tydfil factory—just when that side of the toy business was reducing its losses.

Despite losses at Meccano, the group's toy side managed to raise its profits from £3.02m to £3.3m over the whole of last year, but the festest growth came from the general plastics side, which includes Crayonne household accessories. Profits here were the feather form £253.000.

Fine Art's share climbed 2p to 44p on the profits news. Last year the group made £3.6m pre-tax, and given a continuation of first-half growth this year's total should amount to more that £4.5m.

Fine Art

in sight

By Richard Alben

September 30.

has full-time

Fine Art Developments,

pre-tax profits by one third to

The group which raised

£1.85m by a rights issue in May

of this year, reports that the

interim figures are particularly

mas selling season started

earlier than in the previous

Even so, Mr Francis Kerry.

cheirman, seys that sales in the second helf show a satis-

factory increase so far and the

company expects that full-year

£4.5m well

on more that £4.5m.

Seles in the first helf climbed from £12.7m to £17.25m and underlying volume growth amounted to as much as 20 per cent according to Mr Kerry.

Total seles last year were £33.38m.

The interim dividend goes up to 1.25 gross against 0.85p last time. The group has Treasury permission following the May rights to raise the total payment to 2.78p gross on the increased capital.

Fine Art has used the pro-ceeds from the one-for-four rights at a price of 21p-mainly to acquire warehouse premises in Frence, Germany end Australia, with the inten-tion of maintaining worldwide competitiveness. The cost of the new premises was around £1.1m and the group intends to invest around £3.5m in further manufacturing facilities in the United Kingdom over the

Addition years.

Addition best known as a greetings card manufacturer, profits here increasingly come from the mail order side which now accounts for over 70 per cent of seles.

Hargreaves tops £2m at midterm and good second-half likely

By Alison Mitchell

Pre-tex profits at West Yorkshire conglomerate Hargresives Group topped the 12m mark for froup topped the 12m mark for the first time in the six months to September 30 last. This compares with £1.8m for the comparable period in 1976 and comes on the back of turnover up by over a fifth from £57.9m to £70.4m.

Tracking conditions remained uncertain, according to Mr.

tercertain, according to Mr. David Peake, chairman, and overall margins tightened during the period. However the second half has started well. he reports.

Star performer was the plant hire, contracting and waste dis possel side which saw its profits contribution rise from a previous £188,000 to £334,000. This

one 1188,000 to 1334,000. This division now makes up just over 15 per cent of the total. Hargreaves has been partly cushioned in the plant hire business from the depression in the construction industry, which has been biting hard in the North East, by its wide



Mr David Peake, chairman.

spread of interests. Some of its plant, including compressors. are angled towards industrial use as well as construction and as such have not been subjected to the same pressures.

The waste disposal side has also shown an increase in its Hargreaves contribution. operates the only British treatment centre for toxic waste, at Wakefield, according to the chairman, and the oil recovery business, though currently being operated in quite a small way, is likely to expand in the

future.

In line with the sector the In line with the sector the fertiliser manufacture and distribution side could not hold its own and profits fell slightly frof £753,000 to £70,000. Margins have had to absorb much of the increased costs of raw materials but these have not been large as those of the 1975-76 period. Because of the seasonal nature of the business of associate company Hargreaves. associate company Hargreaves Fertilisers most of the profit falls in the first half but Mr Peake is looking for an im-proved second half this time

The quarrying side has also

In spite of the constant threat at Parkland Textiles of the con-

Parkland

jumps

by 50pc

Tecalemit's growth slows but record likely By Victor Felstead

Despite Tecalemit's first half year's growth being less than half that of the previous year, pre-tax profits still jumped by 58 per cent. On turnover just under 25

per cent higher at £15.6m in the six months to October pre-tax profits rose from £1.06m to £1.68m—a record for a first half. Mr Nigel Bennett, the chairman, expects the full-year's figures to top 1976-77 by a "satisfactory margin". This s "satisfactory margin". This is provided that the level of incoming orders continues to be buoyant and that group companies are not badly affected by industrial unrest

elsewhere, All operating divisions traded profitably and margins were maintained at the same level as that achieved over the whole of the preceding 12 months. During the half-year, the business of Tecalemit Garage Equipment was transfered to its new factory at Belliver.

Group pre-tax profits passed the £1m mark in 1975-76, reaching £1.18m. In the following 12 months, they soared by 139 per cent to a best-ever £2.82m. Tecalemit was helped by the fact that the recent rights issue resulted in a much reduced interest burden. But the real key to its success was the cutting out of unprofitable products and he concentration on the more profitable lines. The group generally became more efficient

Group activities cover fluid transfer and filtartion, lubrication systems, garage equit

the hoard intends to lift the total dividend for the current year by the maximum allowed ic per cent. Since the con tinued improvement in cash flow enables the board to riov enables the board to equalize the amounts paid as interim and finals, the interim wil now go up from 1.98p to 2.72p gross. There is also a small additional payment to compensate for the restrospective eduction in the basic terms of the control of the contr rate of tax to 34 per cent. The total helf-year payment will be 2.76p gross.

Burnett & Hallam to keep up opening spurt

Progress continues apace at Burnett Hallamshire Holdings with the group announcing with the news that this buoy. ancy will be maintained.

Results of the Sheffield-based group, which has inter-ests in mining and commercial activities, shows a jump in pre-tax profits of 35 per cept to £1.42m for the six months to September 30. Turnover in-September 30. Turnover in-creased from £12m to £17.3m but margins slipped from 8.7 to 8.2 per cent. The directors declare an interim dividend of 2.16p against 1.9p gross.

In his statement with the results Mr Nigel F. Swiffen, chairman, says that the summer period has matched the level of activity of the preceding winter six months and as well are improvement on the ing winter six months and as such is an improvement on the performance of the past years. The strip mining and oil distribution division showed improved results with benefits gained from the inclusion of the new South Yorkshire site and the oil purchase in the South-

In the construction division, both civil engineering and building have achieved satisfactory sales volume but only property development, where institutional yields have improved, has not been subject, to pressure on positionaries.

The capital now employed by the group now stands at £8m and the capital expenditure programme amounting to \$2.25m for the year as whole is well in hand.

Looking forward Mr Swlffen considers that progress will be maintained as planned. The dis-pute which began in 1971 conpute which began in 1971 con-cerning the group's proposal to work 200 acres of opencast coal in the Forest of Dean has now been resolved now that the Government has granted per mission. Legal proceedings are now unlikely to occur. The group now expects that work on this project should start in mid-1978.

years of grace. Interest is cal-culated periodically at 1.625

points above prevailing inter-bank Eurodollar offered rates.

Fees were not disclosed. Proceeds are to finance construc-

tion of a lubricants plant at Arzew in north-west Algeria

Managers of the syndicated bank loan were Citicorp, West-

deutsche Landesbank, Alge-mene Bank Nederland, Credit-

menstalt-Benkverein, Co-managers were Bank of Tokyo, Benque Intercontinentale Arabe, Inter-bank, Oesterreichische Volks-

International Harvester

Profit of International Har-

vester of United States, manufacturer of self-propelled heavy machinery and vehicles, for the fourth quarter was \$76.4m (about £42.4m) against \$48.1m.

This was on sales of \$1,700m against \$1,500m. Net profit for the year was \$203.7m against \$173.1m.

Esso Italiana will completely cover its accumulated losses of 59,900m lire at December 31, 1976, by changing its depteciation accounting. The amount articles of the country of the countr

available for this cover totals 60,400m lire, the company re-

ports. The announcement came

after a meeting of the Esso Italiana shareholders effect-

ively, the parent contern. Exxon Corp. Under the so-called Legge Visentini, companies

Legge Visentini, companies were allowed to revalue their depreciated holdings to reflect so-called inflation accounting. Thus, later repreciation set-asides were increased since the book value of the goods depre-

Combustion Engineering of

ciated was itself raised.

Combustion-Veto

Esso Italiana losses

banken and Orion Bank.

at Parkland Textiles of the con-tinued import of textiles of all kinds from cheap labour-cost countries, the group has still managed a 50 per cent increase in pretax profits to £1.01m for the six months to September 2. Turnover of the Bradford-based group has increased from £10.7m £13.8m and the direc-£10.7m to £13.8m and the directors declare an interim-dividend 2.06p gross compared with

Although the group has to compete with cheap labour countries it is still in a position to compete with most Western European spinners and manufacturers. It's order books at present are satisfactory but its margins are still not as large as the yshould be to cover the risks and capital requirements

However trading in the second-half of the current year is expected to be at least equal to the first half.

necessary in the textile busi-

EAST RAND GOLD AND URANIUM

Authorised: R22 500 000 divided into 45 000 000

R20 000 000 in 40 000 000 shares of 50

Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange in London for the whole of the issued shares ... be admitted to the Official List. Particulars of the Company are available in the Extel Statistical Service and copies of the statistical card may be obtained during usual business hours on any weekday (Saturdays excepted) up to and including 21st December, 1977, from:

40 Holborn Viaduct,

Rowe & Pitman, Hurst-Brown,

City Gate House, 39/45 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1JA.



ANOTHER

- £1,717,000 compared with last year's £1,372,000.
- covered 2.39 times.

- * The results have only been achieved in the face of many problems. There has been nothing easy about it. In my opinion the state of trade at the present time is no different from that which has obtained in the last eighteen months. However, there is currently a high level of activity in the subsidiary companies and I have confidence in the continued profitability of the Group.

Marling Ind | Margins pressure but pre-tax up by a third

It looks as though the rein-It looks as though the reinvesiment of profits is paying offfor the Marking Industries
industrial textiles group. For
the last three years, profits have
declined. But, in the half-vear
to September 30, pro-tax profits
climbed by a third to £404.000
cent greater at £6.54m. With
on the back of turnover 28 per earnings per share up from 1.45p to 1.93p, the interim payment, gross, rises from 0.67p (adjusted) to 0.75p.

In the last annual report, the board explained that in the preceding two years the group had reinvested a large part of profits from its traditional husinesses in bringing new products to fruition and in raising home and export turn-over to high levels. Spending ou oquipment for modernisation was expected to remain high,

Colman Group selfs its Fitzroy Inv stake

The E. Alec Colman Group is selling its 1 million sheres (24.15 per cent) in Firstoy (24.15 per tens.)
Investments.
The buyers are Mr G. C.
Thompson and Mr R. K. Walker—two directors of London
United Investments. In a
rescue bid, to forestall a liquidation of Fitzroy, Mr Alec
Colman stepped in in June 1976
Colman stepped in in June 1976 to buy the property and con-struction business of Fitzroy. The Cohman representatives are now leaving the Fitzroy Board.

Welcome likely for Mid Kent issue

A good reception is expected for the Mid Kent Water issue announced today when sub-scription lists open next Tuesday. The minimum tender price for the £5m 7 per cent redeemable preference stock, 1982, has been fixed at £99 but with some shortage of dated preference is expected to attract a premium of at least £0.50.

At the minimum issue price the stock offers a flat yield of 10.7 per cent, around 1.3 per cent over the comparable gilt, though the main attraction is to institutions who can take siventage of franked income as the stock is worth 14.58 per cent

Hicking Pentecost edges ahead

Notingham-based Hicking Pentecost continues to make progress. On turnover 14 per tent up at £4.37m in the half-year to October 1, pre-tax profits edged forward by 12 per cent to £216,000. This was after heavier interest of £39,000, against £27,000.

In the 12 months to March 31 last, pre-tax profits were little

last, pre-tax profits were little thanged at f-421.000, against f-410.000. The knitwear division contributed a further substantial rise in profits for the half-

) Stock

Bolton Textile ahead

News from Bolton Textile Mill after its recovery in 1976-77 from £31,000 to £305,000 protax is for higher profits this time round for the year to end April next, Mr I. Goletka, chair-man of this textiles and women's clothing group, says in his annual review that with the

gradual improvement in the general economy and trading conditions, turnover is shead of the same period in 1976.

Factors in last, year's relly were encouraging results as expected from increased exports in the warp knitting section. Also, following the shut-down of one manufacturing division, the clothing section came in with better results. Re-shaped it is expected to make a greater contribution this time round. Children's weer chipped in with "excellent" results and with full order books all the signs are that this trend will con-

shows a good increase in turn-over in the present term though over hi the present firm mough higher prices and costs put pressure on profit margins. But there is confidence on prospects in view of the continuing demand for its products in the clothing, furniture and allied

Total source of funds in 1976-77 was £476,000 and their application some £321,000, including £166,000 for purchase of fixed assets, leaving an increase in the working capital of £155,000. Meanwhile an analysis of the percentage of turnover and pre-tax profits shows textile and clothing brought in 76.7 and 47 per cent representative leather. and clothing brought in 76.7 and
47 per cent respectively, leather
22.9 and 53 and premium offer
promotion 0.4 (turnover only).
In accordance with the procedure in previous years, it is
proposed that the profit target
relating to any shares issued
under the share incentive
scheme in 1977 should again be
pre-tax gross earnings a share
of 9.15p.

Leather, which contributed

Takeover payment closer for Swan Hunter holders

Sir John Hunter, chairman of the Swan Hunter Group, yester day welcomed news of a Government hand-out to shareholders affected by nationalization. He rold the annual meeting in Newcastle that the per-outdue, next January—was partperment until the negotiations
between the Government and
all nationalized shipbuilding
firms were complete.

"It would seem to indicate
that a conference in the

that an acceleration in the negociations is likely". Sir John said that a new company would be formed in the near future which would take-over the trading and other assets of the group which are left after nationalization. "Le is the board's intention to return to shareholders the amount of compensation together with compensation together with those funds surplus to the re-quirements of the new company". He told shareholders that

the present depression in ship-ping had hit hard as ship-repairing services.

AMALGAMATED STORES
Property investment group has
made five freehold and leasehold acquisitions with open market value of pu to £1.16m.

GEC CAPITAL NOTES
GEC's floating-rate unsecured capital notes, 1986, will carry an interest rate of 8 11-16 per cent pas for six months ending May 31, 1978.

CLOMIAL SUSAE
Colonial Sugar Refining has
extended bid for Australian Associated Resources until December
23 and stated that it is entitled to
8 per cent of AAR's shares. Conzinc Riotizito of Australia, 2 72.6
per cent owned substitiary of Rio
Tinto-Zinc, which owns 12 per
cent of AAR, has so far not accepted the CRA bid.

Briefly

NCR PENSION SWITCH Nestonal Coal Board Pansion
Funds has switched its market
purchases of British investment
Tirst to the assented shares.
Purchases of 2.4m shares means
that the NCB now controls 15 per
cent of BIT. Acceptances are
"encouraging".

EILVERMINES' STAKE Silvermines, Dublin-based min-ing group, has taken 26 per cent stake in Anglian Windows, privately-owned Rorwich-based

privately-owned Morwich-based aluminium window company for £495,000 cash. Shares came from group of shareholders led by East Angless Securities Trust. ECA INTERNATIONAL. This is the new terms of Berry Wiggins from today, following shareholders' approval on Nov 11.

AUDIO FIDELITY Chairman says likelihood of 1977-78 profit marching year before's remote. Recall trading prospects uncertain.

CAPARO-SINGLO HOLDINGS Offers from Capazo to buy Single extended to Dec 12. Acceptances

TRANSVAAL CONS LAND Transvand Consolidated Land and Exploration should at least maintain dividend in year to September 30, Mr A. C. Petersen, chakman, says. No big improvement in earthings this year but growth should be resumed from 1979.

to \$200 plus-but not for long

Bom, Nov 29

Herr Gert Becker, the chief executive of the West German precious metals and chemical concern, Degussa, forecasts a rise in the price of gold to more than \$200 an owner mext year from the present \$161.

But he cautioned that the price was unlikely to exceed the 200 level for any length of time.

sales rose by 4.7 per cent to DM4,455m in the year ended September 30. Perent company turnover advanced by 3.5 per cent to DM3,765m.

An interim report makes clear, however, that sales growth slowed in the second half of the accounting period when group sales advanced by 3.5 per cent to DMZ,280m and 3.8 per cent to DM2,280m and parent company turnover rose by only 1.7 per cent to DM1,913m compared with the second helf of 1975/6. Degussa said that earnings in 1976/7 should be on about a par with those in 1975/6. It added, however, that 1977/8 will not be an easy year although it is looking to the future with cautous continue.

Stevin 1-for-6 rights

struction companies with interests in Britain, it will be Stevin's fast public share issue since the group was formed by the merger of three Dutch con-since then turnover has increased from well under £100m to over £400m. The group's order book now stands at over £530m. The issue will be made on the Amsterdam Stock Enchange, where Steven's ordinary shares have been quoted at 139.50 florins.

International

before depreciation. The ar-line said it provided 5 per cent more capacity but met almost 14 per cent more demand so that total capacity use rose to 61 per cent from 56 per cent with the seat-occupancy ratio rising to 66 per cent from 61. Passengers carried rose by 13 per cent, freight transport 14 per cent, and med transport 5 per cent.

Pioneer Electronic Pioneer Electronic Corpora-Pinneer Electronic Corpora-tion of Japan, say that consoli-dezed net profit in the year ended September 30 rose by 7 per cent to 14,800m yen from 13,000m yen in the previous year. Sales gained 14.5 per cent to 206,000m yen from 180,500m yen. Pioneer said that the Japanese economy during the last business year continued to be sluggish, and the audio industry experienced a difficult environment, resulting in lower

ornestic sales, while export profitability was seriously affected by the vise in the year's value. Export sales in the year rose by 11 per cent to 89,700m year and accounted for 54.5 per cent of total sales, up from 50.2 per cent a year earlier.

Schering takeover Schering AG of West Ger-many says it has agreed to take over the German plant protection and fertilizer marketing activities of Philips Duphar BV, a 100 per cent subsidiary of Philips Lamps, from January 1. Previously, the activities wert carried our by Philips-Duphar GMBH of Duesseldorf, a sub-sidiary of Allgemeine Deutsch Philips Industrie. Schering de-clined to give financial details of the agreement, but said the German Philips-Dupher activities involved a turnover of around DM45m (about£10.7m).

Sonatrach bank loan

oil and gas company, has ob-mined a \$54m (about £30m) seven-year bank loan under agreements signed in London, the agent Citicorp Inter-

America has received about 98.8 per cent of the outstanding Vetco common stock under its tender bid for all Vetco shares at \$23 each, and extended the tender until December 9. The offer originally expired on November 28, and may be exten-ded beyond December 9. Vetco is capitalized at 609 million

Sonacrach, the Algerian state

Business appointments

new managing director of Ran-somes Sims & Jefferies. He suc-cedls Mr Geoffrey Bone, who will take over the chairmanship from Sir Peter Greenwell in February. Mr T, Peter Lee has been made a deputy director-general of the Takeover Panel.

Mr P. F. A. Nash will be join-ing the board of R. P. Blartin. Mr P. M. Shafto is retiring. Mr William Todd has been made

Mr S. J. Keynes has gone on to the board of Pressler Consolidated

Officials.

Mr F. S. K. Baron has been made chief executive-designate of the international trading region of the Guthrie Corporation. He will take over as regional chief executive in May on the retirement of Mr R. F. Jenkins. Mr T. E. Francis has been made managing

Mr John Thomas is now managing director of Greges of Man-

Mr Bric Mengham has been made managing director of Eternit Building Products.

Mr J. C. France has become commercial director of Joseph Crostield & Sons, in succession to Mr D. S. Fancus, who will shortly be believed.

Mr Christopher Bailey becomes managing director of Tunnel Building Products.

Mr G. R. Orem has been made financial director of Midland Electric Manufacturing. Mr F. G. Sparrow becomes director and chief designer.

Mr. Albert Humphrey has be-

mational.

Mr Kevin McCourt is to join the board of Jefferson Smarfit Group from January 1.

Mr Michael Thompson has been made a director of Williams Lea Group.

Mr Alex Filient is the page

Mr Alan Elliott is the new managing director of Enfield Newspapers, succeeding Mr Jim Hancock.

Mr D. W. Rogers is to be managing director of Standard Gas Fittings.

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Mr T. H. Joly de Lottiniere
is to succeed Mr S. N. B.
Leishman as senior partner of
Grenfell & Co next April.

Mr John Dexter has been made
managing director of L. K.
Machinery.

Mr John Craggs has joined the
board of A. & P. Appledore international.

Mr Stanley Johnson is joining Mr Stanley Johnson is joining Wigham Poland (L. & P.) on January 1 as actuary and director.

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RECORD YEAR

Extracts from the Accounts and Statement of the Chairman, Mr. Michael H. Taylor

- * Net profit before rax for the year ended 30th June, 1977 has increased by 11% to £838,000 and turnover by 23% to £14.5 million. The overseas earnings figure is a creditable
- * The final dividend is 0.5852p per share making a total of 0.8712p (1976 equivalent 0.7800p). The dividend is
- * Net assets now stand at 29p per share.
- * The total capital employed in the Group has now risen to

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Boost for Swissair

Swissair's total earnings rose by 14 per cent in October com-

pered with the same period in 1976. This was against an 11 per cent increase in costs

Changes at the top for Ransomes Sims

Mr P. T. Daniels has joined the board of Elizabeth Mazine & General Insurance.

be taking up a post in London with the Overseas Committee of

Mr Albert Humphrey has be-

MARKET REPORTS

Commodities

Malaysians may resume buying sugar from Cuba

Kuala Lumpur, Nov 29.—
Malaysia would consider resuming sugar imports from Cuba If current negotiations to revise its long term sugar agreement with Australia become difficult, Datuk Seri Hamzah Abu Samah, the trade minister, said.

He said that Cuba was willing to sell to Malaysia and "If reasonable terms are offered, we will consider buying from them." The "bilippines was also prepared to offer sugar on reasonable terms to Malaysia.

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Malaysia stopped buying sugar from Cuba after signing an agree-ment with Australia in 1974

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Floating Rate Unsecured Capital Notes 1986

For the six months from 1st December. 1977 to 31st May 1978 the above mentioned Notes will carry an interest rate of 811/16% per annum.

S. G. Warburg & Co. Ltd.

Foreign Exchange

The dollar strengthened against all major currencies yesterday after dropping on Monday on the record trade deficit reported for October. But sterling lost more than most, finishing 42 points down on the day at \$1.8148. The effective exchange rate was unchanged at 63.3.

The Japanese yen fell from 240.25 to 243.40 against the dollar, and dragged Continental currencies down with it. German marks dipped from 2.2140 to 2.2220. Gold lost \$1.75 an ounce to close in London at \$159.875.

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Rates had been called 6-51 per cent initially, but they came away to around 51 per cent by lunch-time as houses made quite good progress towards their targets for the day. The market went dry in the afternoon, but most houses were not needing to find much more, and rates closed in the range of 51 to 51 per cent after the Bank of England's help.

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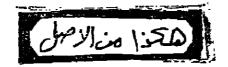
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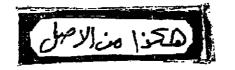
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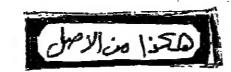
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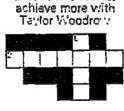
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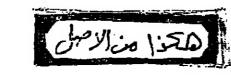
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